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## NASCITUR.

Two ancient gods, in stature like the towering oaks,  
And with a strength great, awful, superhuman,  
Did, so runs the tale of eld, engage  
In hot dispute. Hard-visaged hate  
Their souls imbrued, shone their eyes all-fierce,  
A-glare with lust each for the other's blood ;  
And at the awful combat the frowning mountains round  
Shuddered, and with their supernal tread  
Loud echoed.

In that duel dread, with deft, quick thrust  
One sore wounds the other ; and, swift gushing  
Forth from the disemboweling hurt  
Pours the god's immortal life-blood.  
And the sheeny white of Orient's sand  
A ghastly red becomes, as its face adown  
The blood doth run. On, on ! so saith the tale,  
Its ruby course it keeps, until with sluggish ebb,  
Upon the sapphire-shining surface of the sea  
It floats.

To gruesome purple turns its darkling blue,  
When Neptune, spying from his coral grot,  
The foul stain upon his loved azure's breast,  
Sends wave on wave, with fearful force propelled,  
To beat it back upon the shore accursed  
From whence it came. Waves hard on waves  
In ponderous sequence rear their crests,  
And with wails like to plaints of souls fresh damned  
Fall frothing.

But as they fall, with breast unyielding,  
 The sturdy shore repels. And churn—  
 This fury active and this passive force,  
 The god-shed blood into a purest foam.  
 And as it rises, and the anger of the deep light rides,  
 The hurtling waves, in hostile purpose foiled,  
 Calm quickly. With a bride's warm blush, Aurora  
 Sees and kisses it. Then, from the snow-pure whiteness of the foam,  
 Behold!

Blood's child, chance-born amid the fury of the waves,  
 Upsprings. Venus, as the mythic legend runs,  
 Has thus her birth. Of beauty a thing incomparable—  
 Queen-regnant of the world's most noble passion  
 Forever afterwards.

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By bard and scribe it hath been often writ  
 That history repeats itself ; that things of  
 Moment, reinvested with diversity, again do live  
 In after ages ; that things are not,  
 Conceived are not, but have in earlier times  
 Their types clear-limned. And so to me it seems  
 That in this tale of heathen lore, in this record  
 Of superstitious unreality, is meetly typed  
 A modern fact—

A fact whose birth within the walls  
 Of this proud citadel, the poor bard who now attempts  
 Is all unfit to sing ; whose growth and wondrous widening,  
 And march, attuned to the quick-step of the stars,  
 We now here celebrate.

For in these modern times two armies fought.  
 A nation, whom the demon Discord rent,  
 One-half the other's throat a-grip, foaming and spewing  
 From convulsive mouths words of fearful hate ;  
 In civil war is wrapped the land ; in awful,  
 Fratricidal war. No painter hath a paint so black  
 To show its horrors half. 'Twas best painted by  
 Her sons' life-blood that crimson soaked her soil,  
 And in the murky smoke that dark did blot with baleful black  
 The azure breast of heaven.

Nor this war's scenes could e'er a sculptor,  
Save from deepest hell he hailed, half chisel.  
In troth, far better carved were these by the cannon's  
Swath and ruthless track. Nor lives there on  
This weakling globe a minstrel with a harp so dole  
That could its terrors tell. Best sung were they  
By the sickening shrieks of souls fresh freed—  
By their ceaseless swish as they soared on high—  
By the cry of the son-bereft mother at home—  
As, wailing, she cursed her God.

And from this strife and human blood,  
E'en as from the battle-spilt blood of old  
Did start divine-endowered Venus, in her beauty  
A queen sublime, has sprung from Columbia's gore-dyed  
Fields, this noble brotherhood. No antedating cause  
Was there, no culmination of continued, silent force.  
Within the bosom of the times the coming grandeur of its birth  
No warning heaved, as when this earth, fresh-turned and crude,  
Did grope its cumbrous way in the black infinity of space,  
Until the God Almighty, in his unknown realms a-throne,  
Said : "Let there be light!" And light there was : and, with other  
Worlds, through the fresh-blazed paths their silent march they took.  
God willed : in its noble entity this Order was,  
And is ; and the advancing forefront of its phalanxes  
The dawn millenial first shall gild.

ROLAND ELLIS.

## THE QUARTO-CENTENNIAL CONGRESS.

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At eleven o'clock on Thursday morning, the 26th of December, the Twelfth Biennial Convention was called to order by W. G. C. Shives in the spacious reception room of the old historic Exchange Hotel, Richmond, Va. All vacancies in the grand offices being filled, L. C. Bradley, acting W. G. Chaplain, offered the opening prayer. Prof. Shives then introduced the Hon. I. Taylor Elleyson, Mayor of Richmond, whose welcome was as follows :

*Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen in Convention Assembled :*

I have not come here this morning with any formal address, but I am here to say in all heartiness that you are most cordially welcome to the capital city of the Old Dominion. I am greatly indebted to you for your coming. It has been a quarter of a century since I first entered college halls, and the occasion of this convention has been to bring back to my own mind many of the brightest recollections of that happiest period of my life; and so if there were no other reason for saying I am glad to see you, the pleasure which this retrospect has afforded would be enough to give you assurance that I am glad to welcome you to our beautiful city.

One day last summer I sat in the churchyard of the Old Temple Church in London, and looked upon the tablet erected to the memory of Oliver Goldsmith. Somehow, I can't explain—Goldsmith, whether in prose or poetry, has for me an indefinable charm ; and of all the writers of English literature there is no one that has given me half as much pleasure as poor old Oliver Goldsmith ; and yet I sometimes feel that I can hardly forgive my old friend for having written those lines :

“ And what is Friendship but a name,  
A charm that lulls to sleep,  
A shade that follows wealth or fame  
And leaves the wretch to weep—”

Surely if Goldsmith had ever known anything of the sweet fellowship of our college life he would rather have thought with that older poet,

“ That friendship is the mysterious cement of the soul,  
Sweetener of life, and solder of society.”

I look into the faces for the most part of young men who are just entering upon real life. Young gentlemen, it is a great privilege to be a college student. It was a great privilege in my day ; it is a still greater privilege to-day. The time is past when any man may hope to achieve great distinction either in business, political or professional life unless his powers and faculties shall have been carefully trained. Competition is sharper than at any other time in our history. The field for culture and intellectual capacity is wider than at any other time. A young man cannot hope to achieve great distinction in the world unless he goes fully equipped for his work. So I say it is a great privilege to be a college student ; this privilege carries with it great responsibilities, and the men being trained to-day have grave responsibilities resting upon them.

We meet to-day as Americans, sharing alike the duties and privileges of citizenship in this great republic. It is upon college-bred men that must rest the solution of those great questions of finance, of tariff, of labor and capital, which press upon us for consideration at this hour. It is upon those men whose minds have been trained to ponder these great subjects—it is upon them that we must rely for their proper solution. So I feel, young gentlemen, that in looking into your faces to-day I am looking into the faces of the young men who have assumed these responsibilities, and I trust as you shall look back twenty-five years hence it may be with the feeling that the members of Alpha Tau Omega have done their share in making their republic the greatest of all the nations in the earth.

It was rather a curious coincidence, that sitting here a few moments ago I saw this book (PALM), and ascertained what I did not know before, that this is your twenty-fifth anniversary. Just twenty-five years ago this month I was initiated into the mysteries of another college fraternity, the Sigma Chi. It is therefore my twenty-fifth anniversary of the beginning of the most hallowed and precious of all college friendships, and my pleasure at this coincidence was all the more heightened by the further knowledge that my old friend, Otis A. Glazebrook (applause)— Well, I won't finish the sentence, for your hearty applause assures me that he holds as deep a place in your affection as he has left in the hearts of the old Richmond boys who knew him in the years long ago. And one of the pleasing things, as we go along in life, is when we meet an old friend, to find that he has done something to make us feel proud of him and that makes him worthy of our affection. But I did not intend to make a speech; and yet there is just one thing I will venture to say. I am not preaching a sermon this morning ; but since one of your founders is a minister, and a distinguished clergyman, I think I may, in this presence, afford to say just this one thing.

You opened your meeting with prayer. Don't be ashamed to avow your-

selves Christians anywhere. I know a college boy is too apt to feel, if he is known as an active member of any Christian church, that he may thereby be cut off from the hope of promotion in business or professional life. It is not true. I tell you there is no enduring character that is not built upon trust in God, and the men of the world who will make you believe sometimes that they don't appreciate Christian character, will, when they need a man who can always be relied on, be sure to select one who has proven himself not only true to his country, but true to his God.

You will pardon me, gentlemen, for speaking so long. I want to tell you we are really happy to see you in Richmond, and having with you your old friend and founder, a Richmond boy, and having in your organization equally worthy and distinguished of my fellow-citizens, and I trust as they have found pleasure in other days in meeting with you in other cities, that you will carry away with you pleasing recollections, not only of them, but of the Capital City, which to-day welcomes you cordially within her gates.

The response on the part of the Congress was made by Brother Karney F. Rubert, of Cornell University, in these words:

As the footsore pilgrim plodded his weary way toward Apollo's Delphic shrine beneath the towering cliff, he put off his sandals and bathed in the cool and sparkling waters of the Castalian font, the god Apollo's only welcome. Full many a palmer ne'er retraced his steps from Jerusalem, the Holy City. Full many a legion of Crusaders left their bones upon the sands. To-day the wearers of another cross have assembled at an historic shrine. To this shrine the wearers of the Maltese cross have turned, and for the welcome royal, full of that warmth of heart that draws man to man, full of that kindly hospitality, never better named than Southern, in the name of my brothers here assembled, in the name of the brothers who have sent us, in the name of each and every chapter, let me tender to you our thanks ; thanks for the welcome that shall cause us to remember Richmond with fondest thoughts, a welcome that has thrown off the garb of mere civility, a welcome that shall teach us the true meaning of our brotherhood, so that we, learning from Richmond, may promote among men of North, South, East and West the blessings of fraternal love, making a new North, a new East, a new West, a new South.

There is in the Turkish Museum a tall and twisted shaft of bronze—dented, battered, worn by time—bearing upon its faces three some thirty names that the burin cut more than two thousand years ago. That dented, battered column beheld the rise and fall of Constantine's imperial city. Those dents were made by Turkish lances, those names are the victors at Platea, that shaft is all that remains of the Golden Tripod, the gift from Persian spoil to the

Pythian shrine: the lion that guarded the sleepers of Thermopylæ lived out the centuries of Grecian turmoil to be blown to atoms by Turkish soldiery: the Parthenon stood as clear-cut against the sky a thousand and five hundred years after its builder slept, to crumble in an instant to a ruin. But the traditions of memory are not to be effaced. Since the time that Zeus Xenios protected the errant stranger hospitality has lived on. Midst the tales of Merlin and of Arthur, it is woven like a silver thread in the web of conquest and adventure. It has pervaded Norman and Saxon alike; while from the time that Marion dined a British officer on sweet potatoes served on bark, it has fallen like an heirloom to the South. But "the light of a grander day has fallen fair upon its face," for the hospitality first offered through fear of the gods is now given through love of men.

Gift-laden Telemachus bade farewell to Menelaus, Odysseus, the Phœaciens; so we shall leave Richmond, laden not with mere gifts but with the recollections of a welcome, warm, heartfelt and true, more precious than gifts, more lasting than tokens, which, brothers of Richmond, we shall ever remember with truest feelings of gratitude and affection.

After a short intermission, during which the delegates were presented to Mayor Elleyson, the Congress was called to order for business. As some of the discussion related to changes in the Constitution and matters of purely private character, only a *résumé* will be made public through the medium of the PALM.

The Chair at once appointed the usual committees:

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Georgia, Beta Iota, W. P. Walthall.  
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North Carolina, Chi, W. H. Jones.  
North Carolina Association, J. Frank Wilkes.  
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Ohio, Beta Mu, F. C. Colvin.  
Ohio, Beta Rho, F. H. Asler.  
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Pennsylvania, Alpha Upsilon, H. H. Jones and M. T.  
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Tennessee, Beta Pi, J. W. Perry.  
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Virginia, Epsilon, E. A. Smith.  
Virginia, Beta Sigma, E. P. Desmukes and J. H. Hander-  
lite.

The Worthy Grand Chief then made his Biennial Report.

*To the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity in Congress Assembled :*

It is with pleasure that I present to you this my Second Biennial Report. As a fraternity we certainly have reason to rejoice over the prosperity that has attended us during the past two years. The policy of the Worthy Grand Chief in conjunction with the Chairman of the High Council has been rather conservative during the past two years. The awakening of dormant chapters has received greater attention than the establishment of new chapters. As a result of our labors, the following chapters have been added to our roll :

*Georgia Beta Nu*, at Middle Georgia M. and A. College, Milledgeville, Ga., December 28, 1888.

*South Carolina Beta Xi*, at Charleston College, Charleston, S. C., February 2, 1889.

*Michigan Beta Omicron*, at Albion College, Albion, Mich., May 24, 1889.

*Tennessee Beta Pi*, at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., October 19, 1889.

*Ohio Beta Rho*, at Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio, June 24, 1890.

*Virginia Beta Sigma*, at Hampden Sidney College, Hampden Sidney, Va., October 28, 1890.

*Tennessee Beta Tau*, at Southwestern Baptist College, Jackson, Tenn., November, 1890.

*Michigan Beta Omicron* and *Ohio Beta Rho* were established by the Worthy Grand Chief in person.

The following dormant chapters have been made active :

*Virginia Beta*, at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.

*New Jersey Alpha Kappa*, at Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N. J.

*Pennsylvania Tau*, at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

*Pennsylvania Alpha Rho*, at Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, Pa.

*Tennessee Lambda*, at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn.

*North Carolina Chi*, at Trinity College, North Carolina.

*Kappa Deganma*  
*Kappa*  
New York Alpha Lambda, at Columbia College, New York City.

Alpha Tau Omega now has 43 active chapters.

Last spring a request came from the \* \* \* \* \* asking us to absorb it bodily. The matter was treated with respectful consideration, but we finally decided it would not be prudent to grant the request. *me ch. a you culture*

A request for a charter was made by the \* \* \* \* \* but as we are already established in the most desirable colleges and universities of that State, the need of further extension in that direction was not apparent. *refuse*

*enr. by* Applications for charters have been received from the \* \* \* \* \* and also from \* \* \* \* \* but these have been laid upon the table until after the holidays.

One chapter, namely, Iowa Beta Alpha, has surrendered her charter since our last Congress. This was due to the strong anti-fraternity feeling existing in Simpson College.

It is the opinion of the Worthy Grand Chief that while it was absolutely necessary to have "extension" as our watchword during the past twenty-five years, we have now reached a period in our history where this watchword must be changed to "chapter-houses." To this end I would respectfully urge this Congress to adopt some plan by which a general chapter-house fund may be raised.

The interests of Alpha Tau Omega make it imperative to erect chapter-houses at such points as Ann Arbor, Cornell, Vanderbilt and Gettysburg. If we can decide upon a plan by which Alpha Tau Omega will be enabled to erect at least *one* chapter-house every two years, the future success of our beloved order will be most gratifying.

I rejoice that a large majority of our chapters are in excellent condition. They have certainly been faithful in writing to the Worthy Grand Chief, for I have answered over eight hundred letters from chapters and alumni during the past two years.

I would also recommend that Article II. Sec. 5 of the Constitution be so amended as to allow each chapter to decide the amount of additional initiation fee it may charge for its own use.

I would further recommend that the matter of publishing a complete catalogue receive special attention during this Congress.

I hereby certify that the following is a true copy of the amendment to our Constitution, proposed at the last Congress, and that the same has received the affirmative votes of over two-thirds of the active chapters. Twenty-nine chapters voted in the affirmative and fourteen in the negative.

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Witness my hand and the grand seal of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

[SEAL.]

E. J. SHIVES,

*Worthy Grand Chief.*

This Report was referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

The Report of W. G. K. E. was then read, showing an excellent financial condition. It was referred to Committee on Finance.

It was moved and carried that all chapter reports, in order to save time, be referred to a special committee for the purpose of making an abstract of them, except in cases where the delegates preferred making the full report.

The W. G. K. A. made his report, showing 469 initiates since last Congress. The report was referred to Committee on Official Register.

An intermission being taken until 3 o'clock P.M., upon the reassembling of Congress at that hour, Shepard Bryan reported from the Ways and Means Committee upon chapter-houses. After much discussion it was determined that the whole subject be referred to a committee of ten—Brothers Hoosack, Bradley, Tupper, Yawger, Thomas, Glazebrook, Anderson, J. R. Horne, White and Wilks—to report some scheme; and that this report be made the special order for 11 o'clock Saturday morning.

A motion by G. H. Lamar, Washington, D. C., in regard to changing time for meeting of Congress, was referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

The chairman of the High Council reported in substance as follows :

*To the Worthy Grand Chief and Congress assembled :*

In compliance with the Constitution I hereby submit the report of my office for the past two years. There has been but one meeting of the High Council, at which an agreement was made

with Bro. W. T. Daniel to manage the PALM under the direction of the High Council.

The Chairman is glad that there have been but few things referred to his office. This indicates a healthy condition of the Fraternity.

The most important matter which has claimed his attention has been the PALM. From the beginning the PALM has been published under the control of the High Council. This plan has been thought wisest in the past. This Congress must determine what is best for the official organ of the Fraternity in the future. Your Chairman, on account of personal considerations, declines to make any suggestions as to the future policy of the PALM. He would respectfully recommend that the whole PALM matter be referred to a special committee, to report this evening if possible. He feels in duty bound to state, however, that whilst appreciating the efforts of the late editor, he regrets to state a wide difference between the editor and the High Council in regard to the prominence given to Pan-Hellenism. The High Council is absolutely opposed to the late policy of the PALM in this connection. Trusting that the highest interests of the Fraternity may be subserved by our deliberations, and with a love for the Fraternity and every brother which but increases with age, I subscribe myself,

Most faithfully and affectionately, your Brother,

OTIS A. GLAZEBROOK,  
*Chief High Council.*

The Report was received and referred to a special committee.

The important matter of establishing new chapters was then brought up by Brother J. B. Robertson, of the University of Virginia, which led to much and interesting discussion, resulting finally in a modification of the present rule controlling this matter.

An adjournment was then taken until 8 o'clock P.M.

Immediately upon the opening of the Evening Session, Professor N. Wiley Thomas offered a series of resolutions affecting the PALM.

These resolutions were, after much discussion, amended and carried, as follows:

*Resolved*, 1st, That Pan-Hellenism be excluded from the PALM; 2d, That Brother W. T. Daniel be continued as editor of the PALM under the direction of the High Council.

The Congress then adjourned until Saturday morning, December 27, 1890, at 10 o'clock.

At this hour the Annual Address was delivered by J. B. Chaddock, of the University of Michigan. The oration gave great satisfaction, and was ordered to be published in the PALM, and will appear in the next number.

Brother W. T. Daniel, rising to a question of privilege, resigned the position as editor of the PALM. His resignation was accepted, and, upon motion, he was elected a delegate to the Pan-Hellenic Conference of Editors. The editorship of the PALM being unfilled, after considerable debate it was referred to a special committee, composed of Brothers Thomas, White and Bradley. This committee speedily reported that it was the unanimous opinion of the committee that the whole matter of the PALM be left to the High Council. This report was adopted.

It was moved and carried that in addition to requirement of the Constitution every chapter shall make an annual printed report, the same to be forwarded to the grand officers, the Chapter Alumni and other chapters, the report to be sent out not later than June first, each year.

Upon motion Nashville, Tenn., was chosen as the place for the holding of the next congress. Reports of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Special Committee on Chapter Houses were made and received, covering important points which will be duly transmitted to the chapters. Brothers J. R. Anderson, Nauts and Hoosack were appointed a Committee on Nominations.

The hour for recess having arrived, Congress adjourned until 3 o'clock P.M.

As soon as Congress reassembled, Brother Glazebrook moved that a donation of \$200 be voted Brother W. T. Daniel, to be paid in four payments, to assist him in his effort to establish a bureau of Greek information. This motion prevailed after some discussion. The Committee on Nominations then made the following recommendation as to officers for the ensuing two years, which was unanimously adopted:

E. J. SHIVES, W. G. C.  
 J. F. GAILOR, W. G. Chaplain.  
 M. L. HORNE, W. G. K. E.  
 HOWARD LAMAR, W. G. K. A.  
 W. T. DANIEL, W. G. S.  
 I. B. CHADDOCK, W. G. U.  
 DAVE WHITE, W. G. S.

*High Council.*

OTIS A. GLAZEBROOK.  
 N. WILEY THOMAS.  
 JOSEPH R. ANDERSON, Jr.  
 JONES B. GREEN.  
 WM. B. NAUTS.

*Worthy High Chancellor.*

J. K. M. NORTON.

*Orator.*

Hon. WM. J. SANFORD, of Alabama.

*Poet.*

Dr. T. B. WILLIAMS, of North Carolina.

A motion prevailed that all chapter reports be published in the PALM.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Richmond Alumni for the constant and loving care they extended. A similar vote was carried to the press of the city for its courtesy.

The Alumni Association, represented in Congress through Brother Wilks, presented a resolution embodying a plan to secure chapter-houses.

This report was adopted as best expressing the views of the Congress upon this much discussed and most important subject.

The Committee on Official Register reported as follows :

The Committee on Official Register would respectfully recommend that the following suggestions, made in the report of the W. G. K. A., be adopted, and that the W. G. K. A. be instructed to carry them out :

*First.*—That blanks of the form proposed be printed, which shall give full data for official register.

*Second.*—That a record book, called the “Chronological Register,” and arranged by chapters, be procured, with pages arranged according to specimen copy.

*Third.*—That a second book, containing by chapters general information of members, be procured; this general information to give vocation, honors, change of address, etc.—this book to have index reference to pages of Chronological Register.

*Fourth.*—That the W. G. K. A. have also a third book containing alphabetical index to pages of second volume.

*Fifth.*—That all existing data on present official register be copied at once into these books by the W. G. K. A.

*Sixth.*—That an appropriation of \$100 be made to pay for such clerical work.

*Seventh.*—That a committee be appointed to consider the clause in the secret work pertaining to the paraphernalia required of each chapter, with a view to determining the force of that clause for the enlightenment of the W. G. K. A.

*Eighth.*—That the editor of the PALM furnish the W. G. K. A. with a copy of each issue of PALM for file.

*Ninth.*—That the W. G. K. A. be furnished with a copy of the Constitution and secret work.

A communication from Brother Toliver, of Lebanon, Tenn., has been put into the hands of the committee, in which he offers a proposition for the early publication of the Fraternity catalogue, and this committee asks that this matter be referred to a special committee with Brother Jos. R. Anderson as chairman.

W. B. NAUTS,

W. S. ROBINSON,

E. YAWGER,

H. LAMAR,

*Committee.*

Report received and referred to the High Council.

The report of the Finance Committee was made and adopted as follows :

Your Committee has examined the books and vouchers of the W. G. K. E., and find them correct. We desire to compliment

our W. G. K. E. on the plain and efficient manner of his book-keeping. We urge upon both chapters and the brothers the necessity of promptly returning to the W. G. K. E. the proper vouchers for any funds. This is necessary, that the W. G. K. E. keep his files in order. We offer the following resolutions, and trust the Congress will see their fitness:

*Resolved*, 1st, That the W. G. C. and W. G. K. E. be instructed not to issue *any* permits for initiations except after receipt of the proper fees in cash.

*Resolved*, 2d, That the W. G. K. E. be authorized to provide himself with suitable stationery, vouchers, etc., bearing the Fraternity's name and that of his office. No other matters having been brought to our attention, we respectfully submit the above.

Fraternally,

F. A. FATE, Chairman.

J. FRANK WILKES.

Brother McGuire, on behalf of the Richmond Alumni, asked the privilege of the floor to express for them the delight it had caused them to have this Congress meet in Richmond. He stated that arrangements had been contemplated for several excursions in and near the city, but the inclemency of the weather had broken up this plan. It but remained for them to invite the Brothers to a banquet to be given this evening in one of Richmond's noted places of entertainment. This invitation caused great satisfaction, and was received with much enthusiasm. Notice was given by the Chair that all Alpha Tau should assemble in the Hall at 9 o'clock P.M., and proceed in a body to the place of banquet. He then delivered the twelfth Biennial. Congress adjourned.

The banquet was an immense success. It was given at Zimmerman's. Every detail had been carefully considered by Brothers McGuire, Ambler, Glazebrook and Thomas Stokes, the committee of arrangements. The menu was excellent. One of the most pleasing features was the orchestra. Leaving the rotunda of the Exchange Hotel about 9 o'clock, and walking two and two, the guests soon reached the Banquet Hall. As soon as the first couple arrived at the hall, a march was begun by the orchestra and continued until the large company was seated. The head of the

principal table was occupied by Professor Shives, and upon his right and left respectively sat Brothers Otis A. Glazebrook and Joseph R. Anderson, Jr.

After the repast was well-nigh finished Dr. Glazebrook rose, and with most appropriate words, gracefully fastened a jeweled badge upon the breast of Brother Shives, the gift of the Congress in expression of the appreciation and love of the Fraternity for this faithful officer. Brother Shives, although much moved, fittingly responded. The time having arrived for the toasts, Brother Shives, acting as toast-master, proposed the following sentiments:

“THE QUARTO-CENTENNIAL OF ALPHA TAU OMEGA.”

Response of W. T. DANIEL, of New York:

Alpha Tau Omega was born six months after the surrender of the Southern Confederacy, and inspired by her founder, Otis A. Glazebrook, with that unconquerable spirit which characterized the gallant Southern soldiers. Her aim is to heal the wounds of the two sections by bringing together, in the bonds of brotherly affection, the children of the two sections.

To-day at this Quarto-Centennial of her birth, she forcibly exemplifies with her phalanx of three thousand of such brothers that this principle has borne abundant results; their friendship, resting as it does upon the worthiness of her members, is calculated to overcome prejudice by their nobleness and generosity of character. In her ranks are the Andersons, the Archers, Lees, Lamars, Massies, Greens, Stokes and many other scions of families of equal prominence throughout the South, North, East and West. She is to-day, after twenty-five years of brilliant progress, foremost of the leading Greek-letter Fraternities of America.

She to-day inculcates these principles, not only among her own ranks, but stretches out her hand to all the Greeks of the country in this same spirit; and exercises that influence at the principal colleges and universities of the land.

“THE OLD DOMINION, THE STATE OF OUR BIRTH.”

Response of EUGENE C. MASSIE, of Virginia:

I entered this hall to-night with the brightest anticipations of pleasure, intending to take my ease and enjoy, to the utmost, the free fellowship that pervades this congenial gathering. Also, my appetite was fair, for I had remembered the occasion of the meeting, and endeavored to be prepared to fill well my part in the chief business of the evening. I came with joy and expectancy to a “banquet,” with unruffled brow and gladsome heart; but the

very first thing with which I was served was this scrap of paper now fluttering in my tremulous grasp. "Surely," said I, "Brother, you have made a mistake. Pass down the line, I am no goat; for long ago I climbed the greasy pole and received the baptism of fire and water administered by Old Virginia Delta.

But he shook his head,  
And firmly said :  
"Chew upon that!"

Referring to this choice provender. (Waving the paper.) How illusory is hope! How fickle is fortune! Alas, that such things should be, "and overcome us like a summer's cloud!" And so I gazed transfixed upon this slip of paper, while gay visions took their flight, dimly reading these words, to which you must imagine a fitting response, and to which I shall always be ready to drink if not to speak :

"The Old Dominion, the State of our Birth."

As a rule, gentlemen, one does not discuss one's birth; because, though usually—I might add, generally—if not always, present upon that occasion, he could hardly be taken to speak with authority upon the subject. Still I know that we were born, and I rejoice to say that the event took place upon the soil of Virginia. And she, the virgin Anglo-Saxon Colony of America, "Parent of States and Mother of Presidents," will always be glad to have her children gathered around her skirts, regarding, with equal affection, those of birth and those of adoption, who look up to her with filial reverence.

It is remarkable how many great principles have found a voice among her hills—how many pioneers of truth and champions of right have issued from her borders. From her first came the deep-mouthed tones of defiance to British oppression, which awakened popular indignation against "taxation without representation," and stirred the hearts of the American people to the achievement of the inestimable results of liberty. From her first came a sincere and earnest, if not impassioned, protest against the cruel crime which was being perpetrated in the name of trade—and sometimes under the sanctimonious guise of religion—against the sacred rights of freedom; the first prayer, the first calm, philosophic and systematic attack against that institution which became the curse of the land, and in the final overthrow of which a widowed nation wept for its offspring weltering in fraternal blood. I need not mention other principles which have been promulgated from the confines of this State, nor allude to other conspicuous events in which she has taken so prominent a part; for history will accord her the title of a "Leader of the Nations."

But what I wish now to say is, that I believe the day will come when, not least among her glories, it may be remembered that she was the founder of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity—that from her maternal bosom, which has nursed

such a long line of illustrious issue, this noble progeny was also reared to disseminate among choice spirits, wherever worth may be found, the highest principles of friendship and manly love. Let us take care that we bring nought but garlands to the State of our birth. Of her past she is not ashamed; her future is in the hands of her sons—and you who are her foster children, no less than they, may add to her renown.

She was a "Dominion" proud of her broad acres, her seaports, rivers and mountains, her untracked forests, her unexplored treasures, her varied climate and fertile soil. With the scepter in her hand she might have ruled a territory vast enough to satisfy the ambition of the most princely mind, and rich enough to gratify the grandest aspirations. But of her own free will, and with that queenly generosity which has always characterized her, she gave to the general cause what legions of troops could not have torn from her. From her domain also was taken the district upon which the magnificent Capitol rears toward heaven its white dome—emblematic of the loftiness and purity which should characterize the counsels of our Congressmen. But then—with sadness be it spoken—in the hour of trial and danger, when she had bared her bosom to the fatal onslaught of internecine warfare, fearlessly standing in the breach, where she thought her duty placed her, between the fiercest of foes, the hand of the spoiler wrenched from her bleeding grasp her grand tramontane regions.

Yet she is still a "Dominion," my brothers, proud of her sweet fields and gentle breezes, but prouder still of every true son who bears in his bosom true love for his mother—who cherishes the lessons of her past, and will guard her honor in the future.

They call her "Old." And old she is in song and story; but young and strong and fresh and vigorous—nay, immortal—in the lives of her dear children, in the quick, warm blood that pulses through each rising generation.

And she is proud to have you here to-night, splendid representatives of so many sister sovereignties. In her name I bid you welcome, and will always bid you welcome, proud to be invaded from the North, as well as from the South and the West, by a band of faithful brothers.

We are glad to have you here, and if it were possible, I would not let you go. And if you go, though never to return, yet permit me to express the hope that you may carry with you pleasant memories of this occasion, and that the sentiment of the classic bard may not be without some echo in your hearts: "*Haec olim meminisse juvabit.*"

#### "OUR BANQUET."

Response of F. A. TATE, of Ohio:

I know of no subject upon which one ought to grow more eloquent than

upon the subject assigned me here to-night, "Our Banquet," because one is so full of it.

I would that I could, in fitting words, express the thanks of this Convention to the Alpha Taus of Richmond—but our hearts, *too*, are full.

I think it was Sancho Panza who "blessed the man that invented sleep." Had he lived in this more social age, he would, no doubt, have blessed the man who invented dining; certainly, he would have done so, had he been here to-night. Now dining, like Bain's conception of the body, is a two-faced unity, material on the one side, and spiritual on the other. We value dining, not for its material side, not for its post-prandial accompaniments—visions of ancestors long since wrapped in the blanket of oblivion, scenes of blood and carnage, as we strive for the sleep which comes only to bring to us the racks and gibbets of the Inquisition. We value dining for its spiritual side, the friendship and fellowship which it represents.

Friendships are of two kinds—friendships of interest and friendships of soul. The former is Society; the latter, Fraternity. The one, a necessity; the other, a privilege. Representing the former, we have all the modern alliances for speculation, trade, business and intellectual ends. These are the modern work-a-day friendships, made when time serves and broken when no longer anything is at stake.

Sweet to the memory of man is the story of that other, higher friendship—friendship of the soul—Castor and Pollux dividing the immortality which belonged to the one; Damon and Pythias ready to die, the one for the other; David and Jonathan, the supplanted aiding the supplanter. These are the friendships we would cultivate to-night in Alpha Tau.

"Happy is the home," said Emerson, "that shelters a friend! It might well be built like a festal bower or arch to entertain him a single day. Happier if he know the solemnity of that relation and honor its law! It is no idle bond, no holiday engagement." No, it is a solemn thing. It means on the one hand forbearance, self-sacrifice; on the other, the development of the noblest sentiment of the soul—the sentiment of affection.

Some years ago in the vicinity of Palos, Spain, while a company of men were engaged in exploring an ancient Roman mine, eleven men were unearthed. Thousands of years ago the falling earth had entombed them. They stood in the attitude of life, as life-like as though they had but paused to rest. Gradually, as the light of day was let in upon them, they crumbled into dust. So the light of Alpha Tau Omega friendship let in upon a nation bruised and bleeding from the wounds of civil war has melted down the barrier which separated our fathers, and we, the sons, stand here to-night, and in the name Alpha Tau Omega clasp hands and call each other Brother. O, glorious friendship—friendship of the soul!

“THE ALPHA TAU OMEGA FRATERNITY, WHICH KNOWS NO  
NORTH, NO SOUTH, NO EAST, NO WEST, BUT  
ONE GRAND COUNTRY.”

Response of KARNEY F. RUBERT, of New York:

There are two reasons why I should be eloquent to-night. First, the subject; second, the good wine that courses in my veins. Speaking of wine calls to my mind the story a Greek peasant told of St. Dionysius—the metamorphosed Dionysius. When Dionysius was a boy he went on a journey to Naxos. On the way he noticed a delicate little plant that so pleased him that he took it up, roots and all. Fearing that it would wither, he placed the little plant inside a bird's bone, and the plant grew and grew till the green of its leaves peeped out of the bone. Then, still fearing that it might wither, he placed plant and bird's bone inside a lion's bone, and the plant grew and grew till the green of its leaves appeared above the lion's bone. The saint yet feared for the little plant, and he placed plant and bird's bone and lion's bone inside of an ass's bone. Now, when he reached Naxos, the saint planted the plant, the bird's bone, the lion's bone and the ass's bone, and there grew up a beautiful vine; and from the fruit men pressed juice, and the saint noticed a curious fact, that when men drank a little of it, they sang like birds; when they drank more, they were bold as lions; and when they drank more, they became as asses.

As to-day the Maltese cross is the sign of our order, there have been ere this crusades and crosses. In the latter part of the eleventh century a troubled unrest pervaded Europe. For centuries the Continent had presented but the shifting scenes of a nation's battles, the struggles for supremacy of east against west and north against south. But, midst the crumbling of dynasties and crash of arms, the struggles of north against south sank into insignificance. The empire of the east was encroaching upon the west, until the fierce warriors had left between them and Byzantium the single barrier of the Hellespont. Then arose the Crusades, that great religious movement of north, south and west, that, under the banner of the blood-red cross, drove back the barbarians of the east and wrested Jerusalem from the Moslem.

Not many years ago there was in this country of ours a North pitted against a South. We of the younger generation know nought of the bloodshed and trials and hardships of North and South. It is hard for us to see in Richmond a trace of all the wreck and ruin and bloodshed of a devastating war. Janus's gates are closed, and all is quietness and peace. The North and South are drawing together in closer bonds. Northern and Southern soldiers walk arm-in-arm over fields they contested, inch by inch, where Northern and Southern soldiers lie side by side. In the words of a Northern

writer, "They lie beside our own boys in as still and as great a glory as theirs." Yes, the North and the South *are* drawing closer, as Grady said; Mason and Dixon's line has been wiped out.

And now there has arisen another crusade with the standard of the matchless cross that shall bring together Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western brothers, that men may say, I love the East, I love the West, I love the North, I love the South. Then to this holy purpose let us drink success. "To the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, that knows no North, no East, no West, no South, but one grand country."

#### "OUR RICHMOND ALUMNI."

#### Response of GEORGE WAYNE ANDERSON, of Virginia.

I feel that the duty of responding to this toast might well have been placed upon more worthy shoulders ; but the call is one that cannot be denied, and the sentiment is one that must be responded to ; for, sir, the Richmond Alumni occupy a spot that is of historic renown. Our city, sir, is seated upon seven hills in the midst of a commonwealth that produced the men who wrote the immortal charter of American liberties ; the commonwealth, sirs, that produced the man whose brilliant military services led American arms to victory over foreign foes ; a commonwealth, sir, that has given birth to States of the American Union—such brilliant stars—as Kentucky, Virginia's oldest daughter; Ohio; Illinois and lastly West Virginia. (Applause.) Ours is the city from the summit of whose hills the immortal voice of Patrick Henry first rang out in freedom's cause, "Give me liberty or give me death"; the city, sir, that was the seat of that government which exemplified and embodied the only great division that this country has yet experienced ; a city whose seven hills have drunk up from their feet the blood of North and South alike ; a city, sir, where has been founded an organization that if it had not been founded would necessarily be called forth by the heart of every patriot in this country.

Sirs, within these walls was founded Alpha Tau Omega upon the principles of honorable and truthful friendship, an organization that asks all of its members and nothing as to whence came the man ; an organization that holds friendship the peer of virtue, truth and love, and has all kindness for all mankind.

I say, sirs, that if an organization embodying these principles had not already been founded, the heart of every patriot in this country would cry out for some organization that would hold out to this country and to the young men of this country these principles which bind them in mutual love and esteem, despite all past differences. This Fraternity answers that demand,

and I say in behalf of the Richmond Alumni that we wish you to go from this historic and beautiful city impressed with this idea—that the Richmond Alumni, as representatives of their brothers in the South, wish you to understand that by means of this Fraternity we would wipe out all sectional differences and all sectional hate. We venerate the valiant deeds of those who went before us. We would esteem unfit for your companionship did we deny and forget the tremendous sacrifices for principle our ancestors have made. But, gentlemen, with this veneration of the past there is in our minds and in our hearts but one love, and that is love of one common country.

There are great differences; there are great problems to be solved; there are problems which may give impulse to the ability of any man; but we believe that if the principles of Alpha Tau Omega are spread alike in the North, South, East and West, we may solve these problems on just lines. (Applause.)

#### “OUR ALPHA TAU SISTERS.”

Response of FREDERICK TUPPER, of South Carolina.

At this call, as sudden and unexpected as pleasing and complimentary, I am unable to frame a single excuse. I cannot say with Byron—

“My Hippocrene is but my breast,  
And my feelings, its fountains, are dry ;”

for the sources of no Alpha Tau’s inspiration should be dried up when the name of “Our Sisters” is mentioned.

We feel the power of Nature’s beauties when we climb to the summit of a lofty peak and gaze upon a fair landscape. We are enchanted when the faces of Madonnas beam upon us from the canvas of Raphael. We are soothed and comforted when in moments of depression the voice of beautiful music whispers in our ear,

“Peace, thou troubled soul !”

But there is a beauty that comes nearer to us than all other beauties; a beauty of a more entrancing, but of a more material kind; a beauty that touches us more tenderly than the beauty of scenery, art or music. I refer to the beauty of woman.

In the bloom of youth the boy becomes entranced by the charm of some fair face. As he grows older his idol becomes the creature of his dreams, his hopes and his ambitions; and with all emotions aroused by the power of

beauty, his very soul is stirred to such ecstasy that fain would he exclaim with the poet :

“ In joyous youth, what soul hath never known  
 Thought, feeling, taste harmonious to its own?  
 Who hath not paused when Beauty’s pensive eye  
 Claimed from the heart the tribute of a sigh?  
 Who hath not owned with rapture-smitten frame  
 The power of grace, the homage of a name? ”

Having thus felt the charm of our sisters’ presence, the refining and cultivating influence of their society, should we not endeavor to prove ourselves worthy of their admiration and esteem ?

Should not the fact that they wear our badges, entwine their tresses with our ribbons, and beam with kindly eyes upon our brotherhood incite us to manly deeds and duty nobly done ?

We can find, I think, no better conclusion than that sentiment of Moore’s :

“ Here’s to the girl that each loves,  
 Be her eyes of what hue  
 And what color they may,  
 So her heart is but true.”

### “ GOATS.”

Response of JAMES B. GREEN, of Maryland.

I think Pope says :

“ If in this world you’d wisdom seek,  
 Five things observe with care,  
 To whom you speak, of whom you speak,  
 How, when and where.”

I am satisfied with my audience, feeling sure that if my long period of vegetation from injuries inflicted on me by one of those public benefactors known as railroads, should make my speech falter, you will know how to make allowances. The second admonition, “ Of whom you speak,” brings to mind “ Capricornus.” We have all seen him in the “ almanac,” associated with a gentleman of lines and dots, and keeping company with crabs, fishes, etc. We have seen him rampant on a beer barrel in company with Gambrinus, making glad the hearts of our German fellow-citizens. Ah ! the May festivals. Those of a literary turn of mind have seen him, in the work of a Southern authoress, scene laid in ancient Greece, the animal creamy white, with garlands about his neck. He predominates in the suburbs of our cities as a member of Irish families, and, like the Irishman himself, has a good deal placed to his credit that he has never done. As I sat there listen-

ing to the responses of my brothers to their respective sentiments, many and varied thoughts crowded into my mind. As my brother from Ohio was speaking, I thought of Horace's lines,

"With equal pace impartial fate,  
Knocks at the palace and the cottage gate."

While my brother to the left dwelt on female beauty, I thought of Robbie Burns',

"Auld nature swears the lovely dears,  
Her noblest work she classes, oh;  
Her prentice han' she tried on man,  
And then, she made the lasses, oh!"

I thought of clasping hands across the bloody chasm of old college days, and vows of eternal friendships now broken or gone with their makers to dust, and of other topics too solemn for association with my trash. So to my tale. When a boy, I had the privilege of wandering through the Masonic Temple of Baltimore. In that establishment was a room kept religiously locked, in which, I firmly believed, a live goat was secreted to be brought forward on fitting occasions. He has disappeared now, with "Santa Claus," "Jack the Giant-killer" and other agreeable personages of childhood, but their dim figures linger with us. The Bard of Avon observed in passing, "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players." He might as well have said, "All the world's an order, and all the men and women merely riders of a goat." Experience is that goat, my brothers. We ride him as boys, in company with "Robinson Crusoe" and "Midshipman Easy," in our dreams of future greatness, in our games, our fights and along the thorny path of education.

As men, we ride him to the cannon's mouth, to the cushions where beauty reclines, to the Street, where he butts against the bulls and bears of the Stock Exchange, or to the polls as politicians, where he sometimes runs into avalanches, cyclones, tidal waves and other phenomena. Or as clients we ride him into the crooked way of the law, either not to come out at all, or with a horn and half his hide gone, not recognizable by his best friend. No man can ride any other man's goat. Every man must ride his own. The uses of a goat, considered as a quadruped, are numerous and varied. The horseman believes him to be a fit companion for his beast; whether the belief be well founded or not I know not. He addresses himself to more services than one (to call on Shakspear again), "An ancient and fish-like smell hits the sense of the adjacent wharf." I am sure he has never been put to a more beneficial use for mankind at large than when called to the service of the early candidate for "Alpha Tau" horrors; and may he continue to serve in that capacity till the clatter of his little hoofs ceases at the other end of the bridge of time.

## “OUR DEAD.”

Drunk in silence and standing.

## “OUR FOUNDERS.”

Response of the Rev. Dr. OTIS A. GLAZEBROOK, of New Jersey.

Yes, our dead, our precious dead! I would fain believe that the spirit of the gifted Marshall is hovering over us to-night. Alpha Tau Omega could have no grander inspiration to all that is noble, worthy and glorious in manhood than the example which this splendid character left behind. If we can't have him with us to guide by his wise counsel, we may ever feel the influence of that beautiful example. The Fraternity has no more precious heritage than his memory.

And Ross, too, away off from us in body, is with us in spirit. To know him is to love and respect him. I feel we lose much by not having his constant and active co-operation. Gracing as he does the highest judicial place in the Queen State of the Pacific, his influence and worth would not be less powerful and valuable in our midst, if he were only here for us all to know him. Between these two old and dear friends of my collegehood I take my stand to-night, and for us *all* respond to the sentiment of the toast.

And shall I say that we are proud? No father was ever prouder, for if our children bring glory and renown to our names, what can give a father keener satisfaction? The delight that comes from our offspring when they more than realize our expectations is ours to-night.

Where shall we find more gifted young men, more promising young men, than those who gather at this festive board? The men I see before me are capable of filling any place in this nation; and there can be but *one* place for them in any and every vocation to which they may be called—and that is the *very first*. We have no fear about the future of our family. It will fill, socially, intellectually, politically and morally, the highest niche in this great land of ours. Separated as they are by difference of climate and customs, they are alike in one respect—the promise of great usefulness and ability and success in the future history of America.

If we must glory, we will glory in our children. Not what *we* have done, but what *they* shall do, will add the true and lasting luster to the name of Alpha Tau Omega. Our life is but begun, but its glorious middle age and old age are already guaranteed. We fear not the future, for with such sons to carry forward the Maltese cross to honor and renown, we know the destiny of Alpha Tau Omega will but grow brighter and brighter with the coming years. Our watchword is progress—onward and upward we mean

to go. Devotion to our principles, and abiding, yea, ever increasing faith in their inestimable value, together with the strength and moral courage that come from knowing that we have something invaluable to give the world, are harbingers of success—a success which already begins to settle itself upon our Maltese standard. Go on, dear sons, to greater and grander victories, if any inspiration comes from the fact that the prayers and anxious love and watchful care of your fathers are ever over you. Know that never for a moment are the interest and welfare and success of every one of our children a matter of indifference to us. Our pride, our glory, our joy—we pledge to you that most undying love, and give you that sincerest benediction—a founder's—a father's.

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The orchestra played appropriate airs after each speech, the refrain being taken up by the brothers, and by special request Bro. Massie sung his own song, "The Great Universitie," which we give below; after which amidst great enthusiasm, and most reluctantly, the banquet was declared at an end, and one of the most charming and successful of the many delightful banquets of Alpha Tau Omega took its place among the things of the past.

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### SONG—THE GREAT UNIVERSITIE.

[COPRIGHTED.]

1. Sir, my home is in the mountains,  
And I care not for the sea;  
For I drink, sir, from the fountains  
Of a great Universitie!  
We've plenty of profs,  
And no impudent sops  
To vitiate our English.  
For we drink, sir, from the fountains  
Of a great Universitie.

#### *Chorus.*

Rum! rum! rum! rum!  
O, this is a rum world  
When it's not a rye world—  
Then it is a rum world—a rum world—  
But we drink, sir, from the fountains  
Of a great Universitie.

2. We have men from every section  
 Of our glo-ri-ous countree—  
 Each pursues his own direction  
 In this great Universitie.  
 \* T. J. is our dad,  
 And we've always had  
 The free election system;  
 And we challenge full inspection  
 Of this great Universitie.

*Chorus.*

3. Tis true we have no drill yards,  
 For we are not mil-i-ta-ree;  
 But then we have our billiards  
 In this great Universitie.  
 And we have our “Dykes”  
 When the boys in “Spikes”  
 Are going to a German.  
 For of Dykers there are milliards  
 In this great Universitie.

*Chorus.*

4. If your heart yearns for a crony,  
 You must join a Fraternitee;  
 And that is the way to be tony  
 In this great Universitie.  
 For though we have no girls  
 We have plenty of “curls”  
 In every class in college;  
 And you need a chum with a “pony”  
 In this great Universitie.

*Chorus.*

5. In spite of all temptation  
 From the Chairman's pledge to flee,  
 We have numbers on probation  
 In this great Universitie.  
 But the gay young sparks  
 Will have their larks  
 When “Ole Harry” “woos the downy”;  
 And 'tis then we “rouse the nation”  
 In this great Universitie.

*Chorus.*

\* Thomas Jefferson founded the University of Virginia in 1825. It has no “curriculum.”

## CONGRESS NOTES.

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- Beautiful Richmond.
- Hospitable Richmond.
- Richmond, worthy and honored mother of us all, we hail thee.
- Fifteen States actually represented.
- Delegates from forty-one Chapters and Alumni Associations.
- Of the very few Chapters not represented, all sent most cheering reports except one.
- No one could distinguish between Alumni and active members upon floor of Congress. All were alike interested.
- The Alumni and delegates present say that the, PALM must have 2,000 subscribers. They return to their respective fields to work for it with a will.
- It did us all good to see the old and tried warriors,—Brothers Joseph R. Anderson, James B. Green, Frank McGuire, and Syl Stokes, as eager and efficient in their zeal as ever. Such loyal Brothers constitute the true wealth of a fraternity.
- For years Dave White and Howard Lamar have missed no Congress. There are but few such men in any fraternity. To receive their strong, true grip is one of the privileges of attending Congress.
- Evidently the Chapter House is the engrossing theme in Alpha Tau Omega at present. It is practical and forebodes permanency. All success to it!
- It is hard to say whether the Banner Chapter is New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Ohio, Michigan, North Carolina or in Virginia. We are glad this question is so hard to settle.

— Distinguished lawyers in attendance upon our Banquet said they never heard better after-dinner speeches.

— The Fraternity is, indeed, fortunate that such judicious heads and strong hands as those of Brothers Shives and N. Wiley Thomas are at our rudder. The old ship will be steered safely and successfully.

— We predict that Brother Chaddock will be heard from in the future. A great future awaits his vigorous brain and cordial manner. We hope to hear from him often through the PALM and in Congress.

— What was said long ago at a former Congress, found its echo at this one:—There is but one verdict as to the constituency of this Congress. A more intelligent, refined and delightful gathering of young promising men could not be had in this or any other country. The Chapters are to be congratulated upon the ability and appearance of their delegates. As we looked over the splendid assemblage our hearts swelled with pride, and we read the future of Alpha Tau Omega in the present.

— The Catalogue report showed good progress. It could not be in better hands, and we expect this most valuable and urgently important work soon to be sufficiently completed for publication in permanent and handsome form.

— Our next Congress will meet at Nashville, Tenn., and our fine Chapter at Vanderbilt is the guarantee of the wisdom and justice of the selection. It requires no spirit of prophecy to say that it will be the most influential and largest Congress that Alpha Tau Omega ever held.

— Sewanee never tires. She sends us *Naut* but the very best every time.

— It is a wonder if Brother Gailor's ears did not burn. We rejoice in his career of high and distinguished usefulness. We greet him as Vice-Chancellor of a grand university and Worthy Grand Chaplain of a glorious fraternity. May his noble influence be felt most sensibly amongst us!

— Here is the answer to the constantly recurring question, who were there? Otis A. Glazebrook, N. J.; Joseph R. Anderson, Jr., Va.; James B. Green, Md.; N. Wiley Thomas, Pa.; Frank H. McGuire, Eugene C. Massie, Va.; E. J. Shives, O.;

W. T. Daniel, N. Y.; Sylvanus Stokes, Md.; John T. Anderson, J. F. T. Anderson, Archer Anderson, Geo. W. Anderson, Robert Archer, Albert Christian, John H. Lyons, Richard Brook, Levin Jaynes, Reed Hobson, Thomas D. Stokes, M. Ambler Glazebrook, Alfred King, John Mallory, J. H. Addison, Wm. A. Bell, Va.; M. L. Harris, Pa.; L. C. Bradley, Howard Lamar, Ala.; George H. Lamar, Washington, D. C.; C. H. Jones, Pa.; E. W. Martin, Ark.; W. B. Nauts, Tenn.; C. S. Green, S. C.; C. B. Glenn, Ala., Shepard Bryant, N. C.; L. L. Robinson, K. F. Rubert, S. W. Young, E. Yawger, N. Y.; J. Y. Garlington, Va.; C. A. Krout, O.; Louis L. Brown, W. P. Walthall, Ga.; E. B. Hilliard, Dave White, N. C.; Frank Menges, Pa.; J. B. Chaddock, Mich.; L. H. Cister, O.; G. M. Hoosack, F. E. Dodds, Mich.; W. J. Oby, F. C. Calvin, O.; Jno. Graham, Fla.; H. L. Mills, W. H. Jones, J. A. Hanckel, J. F. Wilkes, N. C.; E. A. Smith, Va.; J. B. McGrew, F. A. Fate, O.; March Wilson, Vt.; Lee Wise, Pa.; F. A. Davies, N. Y.; W. S. Robertson, O.; J. B. Robertson, J. H. Henderlite, Va.; E. P. Desmukes, Fla.; Fred. Tupper, Jr., S. C.; R. S. Coleman, Washington, D. C.; J. W. Perry, Tenn.; Allen Mehle, La.; M. A. Buothe, N. Y.; Arthur D. Bacon, Pa.; H. C. W. R. Tucker, N. C.; R. M. Sedle, Ala.; E. Lyle, N. Y.; B. F. Finney, Va.; H. C. Froutz, Pa.; and J. A. Chastean, Va.

*(Extract from the Richmond Dispatch.)*

“ZEAL AND ENTHUSIASM.

“There could be seen beaming in the face of every one present zeal and enthusiasm for the interests of the fraternity, and willingness and anxiety to sacrifice personal preference in everything that would in anyway advance the interests of the order. The delegates from Florida and Michigan, from Vermont and Arkansas, from Ohio and Virginia, grasped the hand of each other in a manner that clearly showed that the grand principles of this fraternity far outstrip any sectional spirit. In their burning desire to show that ‘Alpha Tau Omega’ was not a myth or a college-boy’s fancy, but an institution worthy of the love and admiration of American citizens and even the favor of Divine providence, they rather expressed a preference for representatives of opposite sections.

“HISTORY OF THE FRATERNITY.

“This order was established twenty-five years ago, when all Greek-letter fraternities had ceased to exist in the South, and there seemed to be nothing

in common between the sections that had lately met on the field of battle. Some of the leading fraternities soon afterwards attempted to regain a foothold in the South by establishing a chapter at the Virginia Military Institute, which temporarily located here. Three Richmond boys while considering the advisability of establishing a chapter of some fraternity, decided it would be better for them to make the step toward reuniting the two sections by establishing a Greek-letter fraternity whose principles should be limited by no section or creed, but should be as catholic and broad as humanity itself. The names of the founders are Otis A. Glazebrook, Alfred Marshall and Erskine M. Ross.

"Dr. Glazebrook, now of Elizabeth, N. J., has been an inspiration to the young men of this country for a quarter of a century, but the noble qualities of his head and heart have been an inspiration particularly to the members of this fraternity. Alfred Marshall surrendered his life as a martyr to duty, and Erskine M. Ross is now a judge of the Supreme Court in California. To Joseph R. Anderson, Jr., formerly of this city, is due the credit of establishing the PALM, the official organ of this fraternity. No man has devoted more time to her interests and welfare, or is held in higher esteem by her members.

"Many men of prominence are now wearers of the Maltese cross, and among those present there are a number who are well known, not only in the fraternity world, but in social and professional life."

## **EDITORIALS.**

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### **THE PALM OF ALPHA TAU OMEGA.**

In undertaking the direct control and management of the PALM, the High Council does not feel called upon to outline its Editorial policy. Indeed, it has no fixed policy. It is jealous only of the highest good of Alpha Tau Omega. Whatever tends to the advancement of that good will be the policy of the PALM. First and last it looks upon the PALM as chiefly a family matter. It exists for the up-building and enthusing of our own dear Fraternity. Not that the High Council is wanting in the kindest feelings and deepest interest in the whole Fraternity World. But it believes that this Fraternity World is best developed by each Fraternity cultivating its own portion of the field after its own method. In any conference or mutual action which tends to help on the common Greek good, the PALM will not be wanting in sympathy and co-operation. It does not believe, however, there can be many calls for such co-operation and then only upon matters of comparatively minor importance. Such co-operation should not be dignified by any high-sounding name and should not monopolize the best efforts of any Fraternity. Our principles suit us—our own aims are well defined. We believe that we have as much to give a young man, in all that constitutes true and lasting worth, as any other Fraternity. We would fain believe, too, that every other Fraternity is equally as well satisfied with itself and upon the same grounds. What then is needed? Simply that each Fraternity, along its own lines, do its best in every honorable way to develop the highest manhood among the Fraternity men of our country. The very mainspring of enthusiasm in this commendable work is in the spirit of reasonable emulation.

If consolidation of all Greeks could be accomplished, it would not be desirable. Consolidation would mean death to the zeal and success of Fraternity life. We do not use the word Pan-Hellenism, because we do not understand it under its new guise.

Unless it means consolidation, and this its defenders deny, it means nothing more than what has existed for years among all the well-disposed and courteous fraternities. If this is all it signifies, the word Pan-Hellenic is too big a one, and a confusing one. We confess, however, to our ignorance of its present import, nor have we yet seen any definition of it that carries any special force or importance with it. The PALM proposes to drop so indefinite a term in the future, but in doing so wishes to assure her respected friends everywhere in the Greek world that she is at all times ready to meet them as of yore, with the greatest cordiality, in or out of conference.

The High Council proposes to keep the PALM in the forefront of the battle for the good of men. If it can catch the inspiration of the PALM's earlier years, it will do well. This inspiration, however, is something born, not made. It may, and expects to, catch the style and methods of all modern improvements in the way of paper, type, illustration, advertisement. These things can be made, and will be. We are not indifferent to them. We know their value as things of appearance, but we are far more anxious, and shall consider ourselves only truly successful, if beneath all the show and bustle of present magazine competition we can so ring the changes upon the life-giving principles of our Brotherhood that an harmonious manhood shall tell out to the world the true glories of Alpha Tau Omega.

To this end the High Council begs the loving sympathy and mental and material aid of every son, and in proportion as the PALM receives these it will command the respect and enlist the kind interest of all right-thinking Greeks—a respect most certainly secured by a policy which indicates self-esteem and independence and a profound conviction of the intrinsic worth and strength of our own organization.

Every man who has ever been initiated into the beautiful and ennobling mysteries of A. T. O. should be a subscriber to the PALM, and thus contribute his mite toward perpetuating principles among the young men of American college communities, which principles Alpha Taus know from experience, specially if matured men themselves, are more precious than rubies, and the merchandise of which is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

## CHAPTER HOUSES.

With her instinct for life, and the conviction ever deepening that she is worthy of life, and has some contribution to make to the good of the world, Alpha Tau Omega is demanding now, as never before, some plan of action which shall secure for her chapter-houses.

The stone and brick and mortar—yea, the fine interior hangings and elaborate decorations—are nothing, but it is a home she wants in every college community. As she has come to stay, she requires a permanent place of abode. Congress heeded this demand, and took such steps as was in its power toward meeting this recognized need.

It is impossible for the Fraternity to aid in the building of chapter-houses out of the exchequer. This money is raised and required for other necessary purposes. A building fund, to be secured by loans and gifts and to be administered by the High Council, seems to be the most practical if not the only solution of the problem. This plan rests ultimately upon the zeal and liberality of individual members. If some of our Brothers who are blessed with means would come to our help, it would be of inestimable benefit to us as a Fraternity just now. Such aid we know has been rendered by Alumni of other Fraternities.

In case of loans, the security would be excellent, and the interest could be easily paid. Of course it would be far better still if Alumni would be willing to build houses for the Chapters to which they belonged. Have we not at least one alumnus able and willing to make a beginning? It would be a grand memorial, and money could not be spent better.

In the meantime, let the Chapters address themselves vigorously and persistently to building their own house. We know several Chapters are now slowly accumulating funds for this purpose. It occurs to us that something might be done through building loan associations. At any rate, where there is a will there is a way, and with the spirit and interest now apparent in Alpha Tau Omega, it is evident that ere long chapter-houses will begin to rear their influential and commanding fronts at more than one of our colleges. The PALM would be glad to be used as the medium through which views and suggestions upon this subject might be communicated.

## THE CATALOGUE.

A fraternity with so large a membership as ours, now numbering over three thousand, should have some record by which accurate and speedy information of its members could be had. Much preliminary work has been done, with an end to publishing a catalogue of which, in all respects, we would be proud. It may be our pride has been in the way. It is desirable to make such a publication as perfect as possible, but had we not better make a beginning with the data we have. All the necessary data of a very large number of our Alumni must already be in the hands of the W. G. K. A.

We believe the catalogue could and should be issued by subscription. In this way, the Fraternity takes no financial risk. Let those in charge at once communicate with all Alpha Taus, and find out how many will subscribe to the catalogue. Upon this basis let an issue of a neat publication be made. Such a catalogue would be all we need for some years to come. In the meantime the data could be enlarged, and ultimately we could issue the more permanent catalogue to which we aspire, making it as full and beautiful as possible.

We feel a catalogue of some kind to be a present need, and believe that we are urging that which is most conducive to the immediate interests of Alpha Tau Omega, when we make an earnest plea for the speedy issue of an inexpensive catalogue.

## **NOTICES.**

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The delay in present number has been unavoidable. The second volume will follow speedily.

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The Constitution requires every active member Chapter to be a subscriber to the PALM. Subscriptions to the present volume are *now* due both from Chapters and Alumni. Prompt attention to remittances is earnestly asked.

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The High Council has reappointed the Edward Williams Company, No. 196 Broadway, New York, as the official jeweler. Arrangements will be made by which all stationery and engraving required by the Chapters or Alumni can be had in the highest style of art and at the lowest prices. The rigid requirement of the Constitution is that their appointment by the High Council be strictly respected by the Chapters.

## CHAPTER REPORTS.

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### ALABAMA—ALPHA EPSILON.

Georgia Agricultural and Mechanical College, Auburn, Ala., A. E., is in the very best condition, and since our last report to Congress we have maintained our position at the top among our college rivals.

Since the Eleventh Congress we have initiated 28 members—16 in 1889 and 12 in 1890—all of whom are true and excellent Alpha Taus, and we have no fear in trusting to them the duty of maintaining the untarnished record of our chapter.

We have lately improved our hall very much by purchasing a new set of furniture at a cost of \$100. We also expect to build an altar within the next few months. We still rent our hall, for which we pay \$60 per year. We have started a chapter-house fund, but are awaiting quietly action of Congress on the matter.

We hope to learn from our delegate on his return, of the unequaled prosperity and grand achievements of the entire A. T. O. world.

C. B. GLENN,  
*Delegate.*

### ALABAMA—BETA BETA—SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY—GREENSBORO.

The general condition of our chapter is such as to gratify those who have labored for the success of Beta Beta during her short history, and to inspire us with greater zeal and brighter hopes for the future. It has ever been characteristic of this chapter to take a higher stand in every respect than any other fraternity represented in this university; and we can truthfully say of the chapter of 1890-91, that she is making a similar record, and abstaining rigidly from the corruption of college and society life. We are endeavoring to live up to the principles of Alpha Tau Omega, believing that when we have done this there remains nothing to be done, and we shall at length be awarded the PALM.

We, therefore, frequently discuss at our meetings the fundamental principles of our order—virtue, truth and love. Our meetings are, upon the whole, interesting and profitable, and are often marked by an overflow of brotherly love, and by resolutions for better work and more zeal for A. T. O.

The chapter corresponds with her alumni, to the end that the chapter and alumni may be of mutual benefit.

As to the chapter's history since last Congress: Twenty-three men have been initiated during that time, which added to previous initiations, makes a total membership of seventy-five.

Many of our alumni members are taking a high rank in the various professions. Some are active in their efforts to promote the interests of the chapter, the State association and the fraternity at large.

It is with the deepest regret that we report the first and only death in Beta Beta Chapter, that of our estimable brother, Rev. Luther Lane Smith, A.M., of the class of '89.

The financial condition of the chapter is good, the W. K. E. having in hand sufficient funds to meet all the obligations of the chapter.

Several years ago a chapter-house fund was projected. Brothers Ledbetter and Bradley were appointed treasurer and solicitor, respectively, of this fund. As the result of their efforts, the fund now stands as follows:

In cash.....	\$ 77 25
Due January 1, 1890.....	241 00
Due within four years.....	681 00
 Total.....	 \$999 25

Hence, we confidently expect to be occupying, in a few years, a comfortable chapter-house. At present our "Temple of Friendship" is a neatly furnished room in the University building, which we rent from the faculty. There is a strong anti-Pan-Hellenic sentiment in the chapter, every man opposing it. It is the sense of the chapter that the proposed amendment relating to expulsions is unnecessary. We have been fortunate in securing two *fraters in urbe*, also two *fraters in facultate*. The latter are the model professors in college, and are making splendid A. T. O.'s.

LEE C. BRADLEY, *Delegate.*

## ALABAMA—BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA—TUSCALOOSA.

Condition of chapter, . . . . .	Good
Number of present chapter, . . . . .	21
Number of men initiated since 1888, . . . . .	16
Financial condition of chapter, . . . . .	Good
Deaths in chapter, . . . . .	None

There is much interest manifested in our chapter. All brothers seem to appreciate the binding obligations which they have taken upon themselves. The present outlook for Beta Delta is very bright.

Notwithstanding the fact that A. T. O. is the youngest frat. in the University, it is second to none in the institution.

R. M. SEALE,  
W. M.

## GEORGIA—ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA—ATHENS.

Since our last biennal report was submitted our chapter has met with a measured amount of success, and we feel that, while we have done nothing marvelous, our growth has been constant and sure. At present we are few in number, but we are all zealous and watchful of the interests of our beloved chapter and the fraternity at large. We have upon our roll the names of ten loyal Alpha Tau's, and the utmost harmony and brotherly love prevail in the chapter.

Our policy is conservative, and, in selecting men to wear the Maltese cross, we take the utmost care to secure such only as will be of benefit to the chapter, and not cause any discord among us. Our men stand well in the University. Since our last report we have fitted up a nice rented hall, having purchased an elegant set of furniture, that cost about \$200, and which is all paid except about \$25. We raised the money by private subscriptions among the brothers of our chapter. Since our last report we have initiated ten men and affiliated five. A merciful Father has not seen fit to summon any of our brothers to "the heavenly temple of friendship," but has spared us the pain of separation. Hoping that each chapter of our beloved order has been as fortunate and successful as we, if they have not surpassed us, we extend fraternal greetings to all.

ALFRED C. NEWELL,  
W. M.

## GEORGIA—ALPHA THETA—EMORY COLLEGE—OXFORD.

For two years prosperity has been ours, adversity the property of some one else. Numbering 22 active members, our future success promises to be an improvement on the past. Numbering since the foundation of our chapter 122 men, we do not feel that we have contributed a small increment to the numerical strength of A. T. O.; nor in the success of those men do we feel that they have been unworthy bearers of our badge of distinction. We have been recipients, to a marked degree, of commencement honors, and those brothers who were the favored ones, by virtue of studiousness, have acquitted themselves well. We do not possess a chapter-house, but our hall is a paragon of beauty. Not extremely capacious, it yet reminds the observer of an Eastern palatial chamber. Next year the first honor is ours, and we are satisfied that this commencement will not find us wanting in speakers' places and those of winners of medals.

We do not favor "Pan-Hellenism," and hope that it will not be successful. We suggest that the PALM subscription price be reduced to a reasonable amount.

Our alumni who have left us are doing well, and mostly following the pursuit of Ichabod Crane.

We trust that this will be the most interesting Congress that has ever been held, and most prolific of good for the fraternity.

L. P. GRAY,  
W. M.

GEORGIA—BETA IOTA—GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY—  
ATLANTA.

We take pleasure in submitting this our first report to the Biennial Congress. At Springfield our chapter was not represented, because up to that time we had done nothing worthy of report.

Georgia Beta Iota was organized in September, 1888. The charter members worked under many disadvantages at first, because fraternities were a new thing in the college, and the boys were slow about going into them. We received another blow in the death of Brother Andrew Reid, who died of pneumonia March 12, 1889. He was our Worthy Master at the time, and had en-

deared himself to the whole school by his brave but gentle disposition and manly qualities. But in spite of these misfortunes the members never lost hope or their clear faith in the advancement of our order.

During 1888 we initiated 5 men, in 1890, 23, making a total of 28.

Our present active membership is 21.

We have secured a large chapter-hall in the college building, and have carpeted and furnished it.

We own property to the amount of one hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$195), and are out of debt.

Several of our members have left school. Brother Frank Moree affiliates with the Ala. Alpha Epsilon at Auburn, and Brother Jandon is at Lehigh University.

We point with pride to Brother George Crawford, who led the first class to graduate at our school, and immediately accepted a position as Superintendent of Porter Academy, Charleston, S. C.

The nature of the Technological School is such that the time we may devote to anything outside the regular routine of study is very limited. Yet in spite of this we have a chapter characterized by its zeal and harmonious workings.

W. H. GLENN,  
W. M.

#### LOUISIANA—BETA EPSILON—TULANE UNIVERSITY—NEW ORLEANS.

No record having been submitted by this chapter to the Congress of 1888, it is deemed advisable to report briefly the chapter's history since organization.

Brother Otto N. O. Watts, an initiate of Kentucky Zeta, entered Tulane College in the fall of 1886, and on March 11th following established the Louisiana Beta Epsilon Chapter in conformity with the regulations of the order. In this he was assisted by Brother John G. B. Elliott, Jr., then of Tennessee Omega, but now an affiliated member of Louisiana Beta Epsilon.

On March 11, 1887, Brothers Watts and Elliott initiated Brothers Frank J. Chalaron, George L. Butler and J. B. Trist Wood, all of New Orleans, charter members, and Brother John R. Moore, *frater in urbe*. On March 19, 1887, Brothers Albert H. Sompayrac and George Abbott Waterman, charter members, were also initiated.

Brother Sompayrac, of Willow P. O., La., was called home a few days after his initiation by the serious illness of his mother, and did not return to college. He died suddenly of blood poisoning during the following summer.

In the meantime Brothers John N. Stewart, of New Orleans, and Sidney G. Donelson, of Thibodeaux, Louisiana, were initiated. At the close of the session of 1886 and 1887 Louisiana Beta Epsilon ranked well, and was popular with Kappa Alpha and Sigma Chi chapters at college.

The chapter opened the session of 1887-88 with 8 members, having been reinforced by the affiliation of Brother Walter W. Duson, of Virginia Epsilon. Permanent quarters were obtained, and during the session the chapter initiated Brothers E. Newton Kearny, Frank N. Butler, Jr., Gervais Lombard, T. S. Waterman, Jr., all of New Orleans, Wm. M. Alexander, of Charleston, S. C., and J. Stone Ware, of Whitecastle, Louisiana. Session was a prosperous one.

Opened session of 1888-89 with the initiation of Brothers Charles K. Huguet, Allen Mehle, T. J. Semmes, Jr., Chauncey W. Stone, William A. Bell, of New Orleans, and Henry G. Dupre, of Opelousas, La. Affiliated, Brother Welhem Brickell, of Virginia Delta.

In session of 1889-90, affiliated Brother C. McD. Puckett, of Tennessee Omega, and initiated Brothers Preston Herndon, Louis H. Hardie, Ira E. Wight, Henry Rightor, William T. Maginnis, and John Lombard.

Session of 1890-91 to date of Congress, affiliated Brother Joe Lovell, John B. Elliott, of Tennessee Omega, Brothers Black and Leon Clark, of Virginia Epsilon, and initiated Brothers Chauncey W. Butler, Henry Hardie, with Harry S. Pond as a *frater in urbe*.

To sum up, we have initiated, including charter members, 29 men, and affiliated 7, which with our founder makes 37 brothers on complete roll. We are now established in a two-story dwelling on the fashionable avenue of the city, in the residence portion. We have abolished regular monthly dues, our active and alumni members subscribing according to their means. Twenty-nine of these named are in the city at present.

We are doing well in every way, but the fact that Tulane Col-

lege is a day school explains the apparent inactivity of so good a chapter. Our material is good, and brothers earnest.

Beta Epsilon sends greeting to all her sister chapters, and wishes them all the prosperity which she herself expects to enjoy.

ALLEN MEHLE,  
*Delegate.*

MICHIGAN—BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN—  
ANN ARBOR.

We have a roll of 23 members, 15 of our own initiation and 8 transferred from other chapters. Since the last Congress we have initiated 20 men. The chapter is in good condition. The great need of every chapter here is a chapter-house. It is impossible to attain the most satisfactory results without it. We rent a chapter-house, and find it a great comfort.

We must work, however, for a permanent house of our own, and then the chapter will, doubtless, enter upon a period of great prosperity. We trust some legislation at Congress may help in this direction.

We can report but few honors. The University gives no honors. Brother Chaddock won in the oratorical contest over 8 competitors. Upon the whole, we think the chapter is doing very well, and we propose to use every possible exertion to put it in the front rank of the fraternity world at Ann Arbor.

G. M. HOOSACK,  
*Delegate.*

MICHIGAN—BETA OMICRON—ALBION COLLEGE—ALBION.

Far back in the eighties there was in existence at Albion College a local society known as the "E. S. S. Society." On the afternoon of Friday, May 24, 1889, a company of gentlemen came from Hillsdale and Adrian, together with our Worthy Grand Chief, E. J. Shives, and a new chapter, christened "Beta Omicron," was born to Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. It is to tell the history of this babe that I stand before you to-day. The new chapter was cordially received by the rival fraternities, "Sigma Chi" and "Delta Tau Delta," and most cordially welcomed by the chapters of the fair sex, Pi Chapter of "Kappa Alpha Theta," Beta of "Alpha Chi Omega," and Zeta of "Delta Gamma." At

the following commencement Beta Omicron lost three of the best men ever in the institution, Brothers Folks, Downing and Travis. The fall of 1889 was a hard struggle with rival fraternities, who were determined to crush the new fraternity, but did not succeed. After a hand-to-hand struggle of nearly two weeks, we succeeded in getting the coveted men. Two of these, Brothers Cutler and Wright, were most excellent men; modesty forbids my speaking of the third. Then, as a parting salute, we afterwards took from them Brother Wooton, one of our best. At the commencement of June, 1890, we lost by graduation Brothers Holmes and Weldon, both of whom enter the ministry and will be heard from again. Two other brother alumni of the college, Brothers Mather and Cook, are rapidly rising in the Michigan Conference.

During last summer our beloved circle was broken by death, which cut off in the prime of manhood our pride, our strength, Brother Leslie Ray. No student in the institution could rival him in intellect. He was honored by many important offices in the college, and with his election to any position of honor or trust, Beta Omicron of Alpha Tau Omega was raised to a higher plane. He was, at the time of his death, a member of the National Political Science Association, which is composed of college presidents and famous men of the United States. He was a Christian and a brother, and we can pay him the highest compliment man may receive, "He was a man."

This fall we have initiated into the mysteries of our beloved brotherhood two fine men, Brothers Rice and Fenn. We have also one man ready for next term, and have pledged three men, being obliged to go into the *knee-breeches ranks*, because our rivals make a practice of this. It has, indeed, been a hard struggle and a constant fight, but we have come off victors, having wedged our way firmly into the life of the college. We have a clean record, no scapegoats. We hold the most important offices in the College, President of Y. M. C. A., of Athletic Association, three important offices in the Erosophian Literary Society, which we captured by the defeat of "Delta Tau Delta"; also very important committees in Y. M. C. A., managing editor of the *Pleiad*, our college paper, members on Board of Directors of said paper, a strong man on the first football team, four men on the second, and will present candidates for the baseball team with

assurances of success. Our members are men in the highest and truest sense of the word, and at the same time we are knit together in the firmest bond of fellowship. After the night of toil we now see the day of victory; and the baby which was sought after, to be swallowed up at one gulp, has now grown and developed until the enemies fear its tightening clutch and are trembling for their own future, lest they suffer the same fate which they prepared for the baby. And so we expect to continue, trusting that we may be led aright by the Guiding Hand.

WARREN M. WRIGHT,  
*Worthy Scribe.*

FRANK E. DODDS,  
*Delegate.*

MICHIGAN—ALPHA MU—ADRIAN COLLEGE—ADRIAN.

Owing to circumstances this chapter finds it impossible to send a delegate to Congress. We regret exceedingly the necessity for this, but do not feel that we can do otherwise. The chapter is not lacking in zeal, but the distance and consequent high expenses of delegate are greater than we can meet.

Since the last Congress, Alpha Mu has initiated 1 honorary and 12 active members, making the total number, since establishment, 61. We mourn the loss of Brother Rogers, of whose death the fraternity has been informed through the PALM. We have now 11 active members, all of whom are enthusiastic workers for the good of the order. In addition, we have 3 members of the college faculty, and Brother G. W. Walker, superintendent of the public schools of the city. The chapter is in good working order, and has a very pleasant hall, well furnished and fitted for our work. We recently added an excellent new secretary. Absent brothers and lady friends have beautified the hall by their gifts. The convention held here last May, has done much to increase the zeal of the brothers, and raise our standard in the college, increasing for us the esteem of the chapters of other fraternities located here as well as that of the non-frats. Our standing in the college has never been better, and our prospects were never brighter. Our brothers have occupied places of honor on the programmes of public performances given by the literary societies of the college, and in other ways have upheld the honor of the Fraternity. One of our brothers carried off the prize in the inter-society contest

last June. Alpha Mu is proud to introduce to the twelfth Congress the Beta Omicron chapter, founded May 24, 1889. This is the second chapter founded directly by Alpha Mu.

Since we shall have no representative in Congress, we wish to express our views on a few matters of vital importance to us, which will demand the consideration of the Congress. First: as pertains to PALM. While we feel that Brother Daniels has labored faithfully to advance the PALM, and the best interests of the fraternity, we also feel that the entire space should be devoted to the interests of Alpha Tau Omega. We regard Pan-Hellenism with favor, but do not wish the PALM to appear as "the Pan-Hellenic magazine" while it remains our official organ. We are perfectly willing to pay for PALM, but decidedly object to *being compelled to pay* for a Pan-Hellenic magazine. We favor either devoting PALM to the exclusive interest of Alpha Tau Omega or making the subscription optional. So far as the proposed expulsion rule is concerned, we do not favor its adoption so long as the PALM continues as the Pan-Hellenic magazine. We do not favor compelling members to take Pan-Hellenic PALM.

As to chapter-house fund, we favor any plan by which those chapters desiring chapter-houses may secure them, provided the cost is not imposed upon those undesirous of obtaining them. So far as this chapter is concerned, the adoption of any such plan as was proposed at the last Congress means its death. We could not secure a single new member in this college with the additional tax. We pride ourselves in the fact that most of our members are self-supporting, as in fact are the majority of the students in attendance here. None of them could afford to join us, and we would naturally die out. This must be expected, as the fee of our rivals is already lower than ours, and a student, ignorant of fraternity life, and its benefits, would go to the less expensive chapter. We doubt not that other chapters are similarly situated, and we would ask Congress to carefully consider this fact before binding any such legislation on the fraternity.

CHARLES H. WILLIAMS,  
W. J. CANDLISH,  
I. A. TONET,

*Committee.*

## NEW YORK—ALPHA OMICRON—ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY—CANTON.

Alpha Omicron has enjoyed a natural and healthy growth since she was founded in 1882. This chapter's past history is commendable, no dissension has ever entered her hall, but she has lived a harmonious and happy past; and the members are living up loyally to their principles and obligations.

Although this term, the chapter hall in the college building has been refitted, it is found to be inadequate to the needs; and more commodious, convenient and permanent apartments have been procured in the most desirable locality of Canton.

Total membership, 46; since last Congress, 7 initiates; number of active members at present, 15; number of graduates since last Congress, 8; Brothers Hamilton and Philips, '92, have left college on account of ill health.

Brother Ford, instructor of mathematics and logic, has resigned and entered John Hopkins, as a post-graduate student. We are greatly indebted to Brother Ford for his wise counsel and the dignity he has given the chapter in the past.

Brothers Murphy, '90, and Woods, '88, have entered the Law Department of Columbia, and have been instrumental in reviving Alpha Lambda there; the names of our alumni, their occupations and post-office addresses may be obtained by referring to November PALM.

The chapter held her Initiating Banquet November 17th. Brother Sawyer, '91, represented us at the Initiating Banquet of Vermont Beta Zeta.

*College honors:* During the college year 1888-89, the "Alumni" prize in Oratory, and the first in Parliamentary Practice and Law, were awarded to Brothers Murphy, '90, Woods, '91, respectively, Brother O'Neil, '92, won first of the "Russell" prizes in Oratory. Last year four of the eight men chosen for the Junior exhibition were Alpha Taus, and Brother Sawyer, '91, won the first of the "Russell" prizes; also the first prize for Parliamentary Practice and Debate was awarded to Brother Crandall, '92.

Brother Murray was President of the Literary Society, which honor was shared last term by Brother Murphy. These honors were won, striving against our rival the Beta Theta Pi.

We shall have our new quarters pleasantly arranged by the beginning of next term. Our brothers are not wealthy, but are willing and anxious to do their best financially for Alpha Tau Omega. Our alumni are loyal and true brothers, and have done much to assist Alpha Omicron; and though absent they are ever present in our memories.

T. A. DAVIES,

*Delegate.*

NEW YORK—BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY—ITHACA.

Since the last Congress, New York Beta Theta has made very satisfactory strides in everything that pertains to fraternity distinction. In the intellectual field we have captured two scholarships of \$800 each; one Sibley prize in mechanical arts; one classical fellowship—held two successive years against a large number of competitors; three representatives elected to the Junior contest in oratory, also two elected to the contest for the Woodford prize in oratory; the editor-in-chief of *College Daily* and one assistant; editor-in-chief of *College Weekly*, and one Phi Beta Kappa man.

In athletics we have had champion all-round athlete in '89; captain and four men on football team, '89; captain and two men on Varsity eleven, '90; stroke of '89 Varsity crew; stroke and No. 9 of Varsity crew, '90; and No. 7 of Freshman eight, '90. Besides several first prizes in general athletics.

In politics we have chairman of Senior Banquet Committee of 1891.

One representative on Senior ball committee, and one on photograph committee. Also one member of the Sphinx Head, Senior Society.

We have this year an excellent house on the borders of the campus. Our financial condition is very good. We have a debt of less than \$200.

E. YAWGER,

*Delegate.*

NORTH CAROLINA—CHI—TRINITY COLLEGE.

North Carolina Chi chapter of the A. T. O. Fraternity was re-established at Trinity College in June, 1890. Brother Robert Bingham, of North Carolina Alpha Delta, initiated the charter members (5) at Greensboro, N. C. Since June, four brothers

have been initiated, and the chapter has about succeeded in getting into regular working order. It is in very good financial condition, and is in a fair way to attain a great success.

Our existence is yet prohibited by the trustees of the college, and we are consequently *sub rosa*. We hope, however, to be able to proclaim ourselves next year.

We have no chapter house and regalia yet, as that is impossible under the existing conditions.

Owing to our *youth* we have nothing further to report.

In the bonds of A. T. O. we are. ROBERT L. DURHAM,

*Delegate.*

NORTH CAROLINA—ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA—CHAPEL HILL.

Alpha Delta is in a very prosperous condition. At the present time we have seven men. We have initiated four men since our last report.

Our financial condition is good. We owe nothing and have something in the exchequer. We have about \$500 as a special chapter-house fund. In a few years we hope to build a handsome chapter house. We have had three men affiliate from other chapters.

E. W. MARTIN,

*Delegate.*

NORTH CAROLINA—ALPHA ETA.

The report of Alpha Eta cannot be as we would like it to be, owing to the fact that we exist strictly *sub rosa*. We have not met this colligate year. We, however, are not ready nor have we any intention of giving up our charter. We have initiated since last meeting of Congress four men. Our financial condition is all right, having paid in full for PALM. We are modest in our statement when we claim that the establishment of chapters at Washington and Lee University, Trinity College and Vanderbilt University are due in a great manner to N. C. Alpha Eta. We are sanguine that another chapter will be established at \* \* \* \* by a N. C. Alpha Eta initiate soon. Our brothers at home send fraternal greetings.

DAVE WHITE,

*Delegate.*

## OHIO—ALPHIA NU—MT. UNION COLLEGE—ALLIANCE.

Initiated since last Congress, 18; initiated in 1889, 15; initiated in 1890, 3. Graduates since last Congress, 7; in 1889, 1; in 1890, 6. Expelled since last Congress, 1, E. W. Forsythe, in 1889, for unworthy conduct. We have not violated Art. X., Sec. 3 of Constitution. Chapter was organized in 1882 by W. H. Lamar. Present active enrollment, 7. We occupy a rented hall and are out of debt. We possess no property, except furniture for hall. Other fraternities represented at Mt. Union are S. A. Epsilon and Delta Gamma.

W. S. ROBINSON,  
*Delegate.*

## OHIO—ALPHA PSI—WITTENBERG COLLEGE—SPRINGFIELD.

In the two years since the last Congress Alpha Psi has been looking after Alpha Tau's interests at Wittenberg in her usual way, in that same way which in times past has so often given her the victory over her rivals.

She has taken several steps forward, and to-day is the equal of, and in some cases the superior of, her sister frats.

Last year by graduation we lost our four oldest brothers, which left us to depend on ourselves more than ever, as they had always been the leaders in our chapter.

But, realizing the responsibility that had devolved upon us, we determined that we would bear Alpha Psi's standard as it had been borne in the past, and, if possible, raise it higher; and I am glad to say that our efforts have been crowned with success.

Our temple is now completely furnished with its paraphernalia, which was given to us by different brothers, among whom Brother Ridder was especially generous.

Our financial problem was successfully solved under the management of Brother Crabill, our W. K. E., during whose administration all the old debts of the chapter were cleared off, and, what is a great deal better, no new ones were contracted.

Our chapter roll is larger than ever before, but, though the quantity has from time to time been increased, the quality has in nowise come below its standard.

We have fourteen men in Alpha Psi, having initiated sixteen in the last two years, and lost ten by graduation, changing of college, or by stopping altogether. We hope to improve in the

future as in the past, and the fact that the college is itself increasing its number of students leads us to believe that we can.

At the present time our finances are in good condition. As to men, we have several under consideration, with very good chances for success.

The social side of fraternity life at Wittenberg is not so well developed as it might be, but we celebrate the anniversary of our establishment in a fitting manner.

We wish our sister chapters all possible success in their fraternity and social life, and will always be ready to help them raise Alpha Tau to that high position to which her principles entitle her, and which, we believe, she must ultimately occupy—we mean the first place.

E. S. TODD,  
*Delegate.*

#### OHIO BETA ETA—WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY—DELAWARE.

In the interim of the eleventh and twelfth sessions of Congress, Beta Eta Chapter has initiated 10 men, making a total upon her roll of 23. Fourteen are active members; 7 are of the class of '91; 4 of the class of '92; 3 of the class of '93.

Of our alumni, 1 is in the active work of the ministry; 3 are students of theology; 2 are students of law; 1 is teaching; 1 is engaged in banking; and 1, Brother Huffman, whom some of you remember, is seeking the health which nature has denied him.

Our chapter life is most pleasant. In discussing an alien, the first question is, is he likely to be congenial, and will he be true to us?

As to our financial condition, we have neither a surplus nor a deficit, but just enough. Our taxes are sufficient to meet the needs of the chapter. Our luxuries are freewill offerings. Among those who have distinguished themselves by their liberality I would mention Brothers Huffman and Whitaker.

We have a beautiful hall of 40 feet front on one of the principal streets of our city. Its decoration cost in the neighborhood of \$400, provided by gift and by subscription of members.

Our relations with the eight other fraternities of our school are most pleasant. A strong spirit of rivalry prevails, but it has never descended to enmity.

As to our standing in the school, we would merely say to you, Come and see.

F. A. FATE, *Delegate.*

## OHIO—BETA RHO—MARIETTA COLLEGE—MARIETTA.

This chapter was founded June 24, 1890. It began with 11 members, 2 of whom soon left us, being graduates of that term. One of these, Brother G. Deshler, was the valedictorian of the class of '90. We have not lived long enough to make a record. We have rented a hall and furnished it as well as our means would permit. Our members are in earnest, and the outlook is most favorable. We shall try to prove worthy of our fraternity.

We expect to initiate four men in the coming term. The faculty is well pleased at our existence, as they appreciate the good that can come to a college through such a fraternity as ours.

L. H. CISLER,  
*Delegate.*

## PENNSYLVANIA—ALPHA IOTA—MUHLENBURG COLLEGE—ALLEN-TOWN.

Health and prosperity have attended our chapter since our last Congressional report. We have initiated 10. Of these 1 belongs to the class of '89; 2 to the class of '90; 3 to the class of '93; 1 to the class of '94. Since the reorganization of the chapter in 1888, 10 have graduated; 2 have been expelled for gross disloyalty, and 3 have left for other institutions, leaving an active membership of 11. During the past summer one of our alumni brothers, O. Claude Hoffman died.

As to honors: in the commencement of 1890 we captured first honor through Brother Kurtz, and third honor was evenly divided between Brothers Werner and Fegely.

During the collegiate years of 1889 and 1890 we were without a home, having abandoned our old quarters. During this summer the remaining members of Pennsylvania Alpha Iota, with the money which had accumulated during the year in which we had no home and in addition that which was raised by a special tax, procured a hall. So now upon one of the most prominent buildings in the city, the building in which all the city offices and the Post Office are located, the escutcheon of A. T. O. may be seen. The room is comfortably but not extravagantly furnished; in truth we have all the comforts of a home.

Our exchequer is fully able to meet all demands upon it. We have gained the mastery of a chapter of a fraternity estab-

lished here over twenty-five years, and A. T. O. leads the Greeks at this college.

We have not violated Art. X, Sec. 3 of our Constitution. Our alumni are all doing well, and the future success of Alpha Iota seems assured.

LEO WISE,

*Delegate.*

PENNSYLVANIA—ALPHA CHI—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE—GETTYSBURG.

We have the pleasure of submitting the following report of Pennsylvania Alpha Upsilon Chapter, Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa.

Total membership since establishment in 1882, 45; number of brothers affiliated with this chapter from other chapters, 2; number expelled, 2; initiations since last Congress, 10; expelled since last Congress, 1; active members at present, 11. The financial condition of the chapter, comparatively speaking, is better than ever, being without debt. The chapter has lately made additions to the hall in the line of furniture and decorations, at a cost of \$250; and without contradiction possesses the finest furnished hall at Pennsylvania College, whilst also the situation is the most desirable one.

In scholarship our chapter has fully kept apace with "Barbs" and other frats, and always receives her due share of honors. Our boys hold enviable positions in athletics and field sports. In our midst is found the champion gymnast, Brother Nicklas. Our resident alumni members manifest unusual interest in our welfare, and much have we profited by their grateful counsel. Our chapter-house movement, which has been recently chronicled in our letters in the PALM, is being rapidly pushed, and we earnestly hope Alpha Upsilon's report to next Congress will certify the full accomplishment of her desired object. We find a castle of friendship requisite here, both for existence and promotion of the order, and to successfully enter into competition with the other frats here represented. Our alumni subscriptions to chapter-house fund have thus far been very encouraging.

Our chapter found herself obliged to expel from the A. T. O. Fraternity Albert O. Mullen, of Baltimore, Md., for gross disloyalty after having received a fair and impartial trial.

Though numerically smaller than at last Congress, we are still planted upon firm and fertile soil.

We send greetings to all chapters.

H. H. JONES,  
*Delegate.*

PENNSYLVANIA—TAU—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA—  
PHILADELPHIA.

Pennsylvania Tau sends her love to all A. T. O.'s assembled.

We as a chapter are as yet few in numbers, and in financial matters we are not as far advanced as we expect to be within a few months. Brother A. J. Yost came to the University of Pennsylvania with the idea of establishing a fine chapter at that renowned institution. After quite an amount of careful work he found five men who he thought were worthy of becoming A. T. O.'s, and with the assistance of Bros. Hogue, Spangler and Lichty the Pennsylvania Tau was revived with enthusiasm which has as yet not abated. Although fraternity matters are quiet at present the outlook is not at all discouraging.

Immediately after the Christmas holidays there will be at least three new men added, making the enrollment twelve. We are at present looking for a suitable hall on Chestnut street, and intend not to start until we can rely upon having enough money to pay as we go. Our aim is to build a chapter house, and although this may seem almost preposterous, nevertheless it is our fixed purpose. This may not be accomplished immediately, and we may not be the ones who shall have the pleasure of enjoying such a luxury, but we shall have the joy and satisfaction of knowing that we were its founders. It is not an impossibility. It will take work and the denial of many a pleasure, but that we are willing to sacrifice for A. T. O. at any time. We are represented in biological, dental and medical departments, and have two men from the classical department under observation. Time will establish us there also.

Pennsylvania Tau is starting under many disadvantages, but these we hope to overcome and be all the stronger on account of these tasks. We are taking in men very slowly, as this is the safest and best way. We propose a man three weeks before initiation, so that no one will be dissatisfied afterwards.

We hope this Congress will be a profitable one for the Alpha

Tau Omega Fraternity, and that all assembled will leave feeling better for having been present.

ALFRED J. YOST,

*W. M.*

SOUTH CAROLINA—ALPHA PHI—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA—COLUMBIA.

During the years 1889-90 South Carolina Alpha Phi initiated four men, viz.; Ed. B. Clark and T. M. Dick, of Columbia; John Y. Garlington, of Laurens; and Raymond P. Butler, of Washington, D. C. She has not yet initiated a man this year. We have two rooms in the Central National Bank building, for which we pay \$60 per year. We have furnished one of them as a chapter hall, and the other one we intend to furnish as a sitting-room. The value of furniture, regalia, etc., is about \$200.

This year we have only six men back at college; four out of the last year's chapter having withdrawn from college. We meet regularly every other Tuesday night at 7.30 P.M.

At present our chapter-house fund scheme is lying idle, for we are waiting the act of the legislature in regard to the university; from present prospects the University will be changed back into a classical school or college. If that be the case S. C. A. P. will most probably be numbered with the dead, for the majority of present members have a mechanical course, and will go elsewhere if that department is abolished from the university.

The outlook at present is gloomy, but we hope that the sun will continue to shine on S. C. A. P., even though it be temporarily obscured.

C. S. GREEN,

*Delegate.*

SOUTH CAROLINA—ALPHA CHI—CITADEL—CHARLESTON.

South Carolina Alpha Chi Chapter has the honor to present to the Congress of the A. T. O. Fraternity the following report:

Since the Congress of 1888 this chapter has had a prosperous career, and now for the first time since its reorganization we regret having to report that its outlook for the future is not at all encouraging.

Owing to the action the faculty has taken, by requiring all cadets entering the academy to sign the enclosed matriculation promise, we realize that no other course is left for us to pursue than that

of surrendering our charter. These words are hard for us to pen, and we will be only too glad to retain the charter of our beloved chapter if Congress can suggest any way in which we can accomplish this end. Condition of chapter is good; its prospects unfavorable. PALM dues have been paid.

Number of men initiated since last report; sessions, 1888-89, 2; 1889-90, 4; 1890-91, 0; total, 6. Present membership, 4; *frater in urbe*, 1.

L. L. GAILLARD,

*Delegate.*

SOUTH CAROLINA—BETA XI—CHARLESTON COLLEGE—CHARLESTON.

As this is Beta Xi's first Congressional report, we have to chronicle briefly our founding, our efforts, and what we consider our splendid success during the college term 1889-90.

On February 16, 1889, our chapter was organized, the trusty Alpha Taus of the South Carolina Military Academy opening to us the way into fraternity life.

Beta Xi's charter members were Ward B. Coe, A. Theodore Gaillard, William H. Prioleau, Jr., M. Rutledge Rivers and Frederick Tupper, Jr.

Since then our initiates have been ten in number: Louis Young Dawson, Charles S. Venning, William Lowndes, Henry P. Foster, Owen T. Baynard, Charles E. Lawrence, H. Swinton McGillivray and John G. Prioleau; *fraters in urbe*, Charles E. Prioleau and W. Dewar Gordon.

Our roll is a good one. Our men have made their influence felt strongly in college life, and we feel sure that they will rush gladly into any breach at the call of our leaders.

During the last academic year such was our prestige that one Alpha Tau after another filled the highest offices in the Literary Society, and the presidents of that body always wore the badge of our order.

In February we entered our chapter hall, a room pleasantly and centrally located. Though we do not possess temple furniture of costly finish, yet we boast that it was made only by the hands of Knights of the Maltese Cross, who, for the occasion, doffed their armor and donned the workman's apron.

As one of the pleasantest features of the year we must men-

tion our banquet, which took place near the close of the month of April. This was the occasion of a reunion of our South Carolina Chapters. Alpha Chi was there in full force, Alpha Phi "sent in her tale of men" from the State University, and together with their young sister passed an evening in the sweet communion that only hearts bound together by the same ties can enjoy.

But we must not conclude without an allusion to our honor list, which in itself offers conclusive evidence of the good standing of our chapter.

One A. T. O. was chairman of the college ball committee, another of the society debate, on which three of our men fought. Another was *par excellence* the first mathematician of the college and "facile princeps" among the Freshmans, while our valedictorian and first honor man was proud to bear the colors of Alpha Tau Omega.

Our graduation list was so large that we found ourselves at the beginning of the present term with but four members in college. As, however, we have good material to pick from, and our recently graduated alumni are ever present with their advice, we are confident of maintaining the high position that our fraternity and chapter has held for the last two years at the College of Charleston.

FREDERICK TUPPER, Jr.,

*Delegate.*

#### TENNESSEE—OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH—SEWANEE.

At present there are 29 members on roll.

The total number of initiates is 102. 13 members have been initiated since last report, one of whom was elected under the especial proviso. There are no affiliated men. Financially we are much better off than at last Congress. Our position is still first, and if any change has taken place in the chapter's personnel, it has been for the better.

W. B. NAUTS,

*Delegate.*

#### TENNESSEE—BETA PI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY—NASHVILLE.

Tennessee Beta Pi Chapter desires to report as follows: This chapter was organized in October, '89, with the following as charter members: B. A. Wisega, Alpha Zeta; A. C. Ford, North Carolina Alpha Eta; J. R. Goodloe, Alabama Beta Beta; R. E.

Brown, Tennessee Omega, and A. G. Haygood, Jr., Georgia Alpha Theta. During the year 1889-90 three men were initiated: J. W. Perry, J. W. Moore and W. H. Haywood. The chapter had eight vigorous rivals, all of which were firmly established with a strong backing of alumni in the city. From the first, however, A. T. O. was recognized as a worthy rival, both on account of the ability of its charter members and its conservatism with regard to new men. The chapter came rapidly to the front, and secured its share along with the other Greeks: its members have always taken an active part in all the public enterprises of the students. At the beginning of this year only two of the old members returned, but excellent reinforcements came. W. J. Johnson and E. L. Phillips affiliated from Alabama Beta Beta; R. H. Mitchell from North Carolina Chi, and R. L. Johnson from Georgia Alpha Beta. H. S. Oltenburg has been initiated. The monthly dues have not hitherto been quite sufficient to meet expenses, but the deficit was made up by a tax, so that the chapter is now out of debt but with an empty exchequer. Hereafter it is calculated that the dues will leave a small surplus above expenses.

A. T. O. is at Vanderbilt to stay, and that means to stand at the top. We have confidence in her principles, love her ritual, and are earnestly working for her success at Vanderbilt.

J. W. PERRY,  
*Delegate.*

TENNESSEE—ALPHA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY—CLARKSVILLE.

Since January, 1889, the number of our initiates has been 7. We have now an active membership of 6 in college and 2 in the city, making a total membership of 8. During the session of 1889-90 we were compelled to abandon our hall, but have since reoccupied it, and now have it comfortably furnished.

We meet regularly once a week, and our meetings are well attended.

Honors.—Since last Congress we have taken more than our proportion of the honors of the university. At the Inter-State Oratorical Contest, May, 1889, Brother W. C. Johnson carried off the medal, this being the highest oratorical honor in the State. At commencement, June, 1889, Brother Johnson was awarded

the Joint Contest Oratorical Medal, and Brother Sam Orr carried off the Greek, Biblical and Chemistry Scholarship Medals, an achievement unparalleled in the history of the university. Brother T. W. Gregory, of Austin, Texas, delivered the alumni address of the same year. At commencement, 1890, Brother T. J. Steele was awarded the Biblical Medal.

The chapter is unqualifiedly and unanimously opposed to the Pan-Hellenic movement, either as outlined in the PALM or in any other shape, and wishes to have its vote recorded in the negative on any motion that tends towards Pan-Hellenism, consolidation or confederation of any description. It further disapproves of the changes of cover and designation of the PALM, and wishes to see the old cover design restored.

Regretting exceedingly our inability to be represented at this Congress, we respectfully submit the above report in behalf of Tennessee Alpha Tau.

T. J. STEELE,

*W. M.*

VERMONT—BETA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT—BURLINGTON.

We think, generally speaking, that our chapter is in a healthy condition.

Since the meeting of the Congress of two years ago, we have taken into our ranks 16 members; 6 last year and 10 this year. Grim death has not removed any of our members.

From a financial standpoint we have not occasion for much happiness, as we are somewhat in debt. Aside from this, we have nothing of sufficient interest to report.

MARCH M. WILSON,  
*Delegate.*

VIRGINIA—EPSILON CHAPTER—ROANOKE COLLEGE—SALEM.

General condition, financial and otherwise, is very good. The damaging influences of the Anti-fraternity League have been almost entirely overcome, and the opposition of the other fraternities is scarcely worth mentioning. Number of active members is now 13. Number of initiates since Congress of '88 is 7.

No co-operation with other fraternities in college; independent existence being considered more conducive to the strengthening of fraternal love and union of Alpha Tau Omega.

E. A. SMITH,  
*Delegate.*

## VIRGINIA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Since the last meeting of Congress the condition of Virginia Delta has been as good as its members could wish. During the session 1889-90 there were 8 initiates, namely, L. R. Page, G. H. Norton, Jos. Grice, Walter H. Taylor, Thomson Loyall, Howard Sheilds, J. E. Heath, Kirkwood Mitchell. Up to the present we have initiated only one member this session—Peyton Harrison—in accordance with Art. II., Sec. 8, Constitution. The total membership for the present session is 19, 10 of whom are "transfers." Our financial condition is good, the money at hand being amply sufficient for all current expenses.

J. B. ROBERTSON,  
Delegate.

## VIRGINIA—BETA SIGMA—HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE—HAMPDEN SIDNEY.

We, of Beta Sigma, have not much to report, but what we have is most favorable. Although there were already nine fraternities at Hampden Sidney, yet after some trouble we succeeded in establishing a chapter of A. T. O.; although we are few in number we stand at head. Our members are as follows: E. P. Dismukes, Jr., E. H. Pierce, S. T. Martin, J. H. Henderlite, W. B. Malone. We have not succeeded in getting a hall yet, but hope to fit one up after Christmas. We have been as successful in our undertaking as the most sanguine of us could have hoped. We can truly say our association together has been most pleasant, and we hope most profitable. Our chapter seems to be somewhat against Pan-Hellenism. Beta Sigma sends greeting to her sister chapters, and wishes for them a bright and successful future, which must be the inevitable lot of all loyal A. T. O.s. We established our chapter the 30th of October, 1890.

(E. P. DISMUKES, Jr.,

W. M.

## VIRGINIA—BETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY—LEXINGTON.

Virginia Beta of Washington and Lee University was re-established by Brother J. L. Davidson, of North Carolina, Alpha Eta. He, with the following five, constitute her charter members: Brothers S. B. Jones, of Jonesborough, N. C.; M. J. Goble, of Catlesburg, Ky.; H. K. Loraine, of Zellwood, Fla.; E. P. Dismukes,

Jr., of Quincy, Fla., and Claude Sublette, of Richmond, Va. She had scarcely experienced a month of paternal union and the benefits derived therefrom when the untimely death of Brother Claude Sublette cast a shadow upon her newly trodden path. Beta then being reduced to only five, and owing to the late period of the session at which she was established, the remaining part of the year was spent in efforts to procure a chapter hall and to learn the proper routine of chapter work. This session opened with a roll of six, but only three of last year's men accounted for. Brother J. L. Davidson is studying law in Quincy, Fla.; Brother Dismukes is at Hampden Sidney; and therefore Brothers Jones, Goble and Loraine are the three who returned to give Beta a flourishing start for session of 1890-91. The other three are the following transfers: Brother R. B. Curd, of Georgia, Alpha Eta; J. B. Taylor, of Kentucky, Zeta; William H. Bell, of Tulane Beta Epsilon. We are sorry to report that Beta claims no "Goats" thus far, but we have secured a large chapter hall, which we have fitted up very plainly but comfortably. Our financial condition is not as prosperous as we might wish for, owing to our small membership.

W. M. A. BELL,

*Delegate.*

#### ARKANSAS—ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Our association numbers now only about 20 men, who are scattered throughout the State. We meet annually. We are watching for an opportunity to place Alpha Tau Omega in the leading colleges of Arkansas.

W. F. WRIGHT,

*W. M.*

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

The District of Columbia Alumni Association was organized December 13, 1886. It now has a membership of thirty. The association meets from time to time at Brother William H. Lamar's law office in the *Sun* building, where a directory of the Alpha Taus of the city can always be found by visiting brothers.

The association has done a great deal to keep alive fraternity enthusiasm, and has forcibly demonstrated the fact that the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity is not exclusively a college-boys' organization.

GEORGE H. LAMAR,

*Delegate.*

## FLORIDA—ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

This association was in a flourishing condition prior to the yellow-fever epidemic in 1888. In consequence of the general consternation caused by the epidemic, the members were scattered abroad, and it has been impossible to have a general convention since. We are, however, getting together again, and are arranging to have our annual convention and banquet in Jacksonville next March. We anticipate a large attendance and a brilliant social event, to which we cordially invite all A. T. O.s throughout the United States.

JOHN A. GRAHAM,  
*Delegate.*

## OHIO—ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

Since the last meeting of this body, the Ohio Alumni Association has held two meetings, one at Toledo, O., in June, 1889, at which meeting Professor J. B. Ruhl, of Ada, who had been elected by Alpha Psi, was initiated.

The next meeting was held at Tiffin November 15, 1890. The attendance at these meetings has not been large, but at our next meeting, which will be held at Wooster at the time of the State Oratorical Contest, we hope to adopt a Constitution and By-Laws and greatly increase our membership. With five chapters in our State continually sending out good men, we hope soon to have a strong organization.

C. A. KROUT,  
*Delegate.*



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## **EDITORIALS.**

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The new PALM has been very kindly received. Such expressions as have reached us from Chapters and Alumni subscribers have been appreciative, and the Fraternity press, when it has spoken at all, has had a word of commendation. Possibly the Editorial comment which we have liked best has come to us through the Kappa Alpha Journal. It says, "after considerable fluctuations, the PALM appears to have struck rock bottom—that is, it now has a firm foundation. The new Editor has taken hold of the editorial pen with a precision which is positive, and a good magazine is the product." We are glad to know that we have made ourselves clear upon this one point at least, that the PALM is the organ of Alpha Tau Omega, and devoted to her interests. We believe this is a good, strong, honest starting point, and we propose to work out logically from it. Notoriety we do not desire, and possibly we shall attain to no very great distinction, a thing we do greatly desire, if we can meritoriously secure it; but we shall try to be faithful watchmen on the walls of our own citadel, and earnestly warn our brothers of every danger, and jealously exhort to every effort that promises the advancement and permanency of the principles of Alpha Tau Omega.

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We feel that the subscribers have a right to complain of the tardiness which has characterized our management thus far. The truth is, there have been peculiar difficulties which we cannot explain, but in spite of these we think we might have done better. We do expect ere long so to arrange the publication of the PALM that it shall appear with the accuracy of clock work. It takes a little time, however, to reach that degree of perfection, and also a little help from the Fraternity. We shall conscientiously try to do our part toward this desirable end, and ask of the Chapters and Alumni such co-operation in the way

of promptness in all matters as shall throw entirely upon our shoulders the responsibility of failure. At present we do not feel that this responsibility is entirely upon us.

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In the best interests of our Fraternity we are lead to urge great care in the establishment of Chapters. Our attention has been called to this by the wise letters of one or two of our valued Alumni. We see no harm to come from multiplying rapidly if every stone added gives us additional strength and lustre. We believe that the smaller colleges are as good, if not better, for the development of Fraternity life as the larger ones. The men, for instance, who attend Williams and Amherst and Dartmouth are the equals of those who enter Yale and Harvard. We would as soon have a Chapter at these smaller Colleges as at the Universities. The thing to consider is not the size of the college, or its location; but there are colleges and colleges; and it behooves us to examine well into the merit of every institution from which an application may come. And not only the college itself, but the men who apply for the charter should be well known to us. The resolution of Congress bearing upon this point was an eminently wise one. It will do much to prevent mistakes, but it will not insure absolute freedom from error. The final responsibility must be upon the two officers whose names are attached to each charter. We are strong enough as a Fraternity to decline all speedy and doubtful action in this matter of propagation, and if we were weak the reason would be but the stronger why we should make no mistake in this vital matter. One Chapter established in two years, which will bring credit and honor upon us, will do us far more good in the end than a dozen indifferent and weak additions. Remember we are building for posterity. There is plenty of time for growth, and the slower the growth invariably better is the result.

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Very near this thought is another of considerable moment to our true and permanent prosperity. We can't afford to ignore wise and just discipline. We have a constitution, and we pass resolutions for the government and good of the Fraternity. Let

us demand a strict compliance with our requirements. By a firm discipline we shall most certainly secure the respect and support of the Chapters. Men love and take pride in a strong organization, and there is no strength when license supplants law. In the administration of the Fraternity, those in authority should be no respecters of persons. Hold every Chapter up to the same requirement. Demand that every enactment of the properly constituted authority be respected, and when there is persistent disregard of the requirements, let the law be righteously administered. It is wonderful how healthy and invigorating such a policy is. We are sure this sentiment commends itself to every right-thinking Alpha Tau, and that the best men in the Fraternity will be the first to applaud every just administration of discipline.

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We are in entire sympathy with the views expressed by several of our sister journals in regard to the element of secrecy in Greek life. We believe there is danger in making Greek affairs too common. We well remember the time when a Greek would not dare to speak to an outsider of his Fraternity. The moment anything was said on the subject—even a comment upon or query about the badge—there was an ominous silence. We are not sure but this was an error on the safe side. We had better be too reticent than very communicative. Disregard of the element of secrecy will weaken the sentiment and dissipate the mystery so essential to the good old fashioned Greek existence. Let us rather cultivate the habit of secrecy and continue to robe our dear old Fraternity in that mystic mantle, covered all over as it is, with those hieroglyphics so confounding to aliens, and yet so full of precious memory and loving associations to the initiated. Take away the symbols, rites, grips, etc., or make them common property by too much freedom in speaking or writing, and the spirit of true Greek life takes its everlasting flight. We can't explain this satisfactorily, but we know it is so. Some things are to be felt, not analyzed, and this is one of them.

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We are reminded in this connection of a D. K. E. editorial

when the subject of inter-Greek banqueting was discussed. To our mind there is a big difference between a Pan-Hellenic banquet and an Alpha Tau Omega love feast. We would enjoy both, but in very different ways. To the former, we would go as to any gathering of genial, cultivated gentlemen, and be sure of having a good time. To the latter we would go as to a select meeting of devoted kinsmen, where blood and property and inherited genius bound us together in a mutual interest. This is no bigotry. It is but the pride and love of family, and this pride and love are at the bottom of all true communal development. The man who loves his family best and is truest to his home interests, will always make the best citizen. And we believe that he who loves his own Fraternity best and wishes to guard its peculiarities and throws around the home life all the intimacy and sentiment that comes from privacy, will make the best Greek in all and every relation. The Bible is far-reaching in its enunciation of principle here as elsewhere; if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own at home, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel: which simply means that charity should begin at home.

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As we think of the mysteries which bind us to the long ago and bring before us those dear faces of the olden times, our heart grows hot within us. While we muse the fire burns and we would speak on another important matter. Why can't we get the Alumni back into all the enthusiasm of early days? What's the matter with our Alumni? Their hearts are all right, we know. Their souls can again be kindled into the glow of former zeal, we believe. Let us revive and feed old memories. To this end make the PALM the medium of reminiscences. Throw an individuality into our graduate personals. Let us breathe life into the dry data of personal notes, and as the living characters stand out on the pages of the PALM, the old boys will take it up to see and meet again their old friends. The PALM will win its way into the old hearts as it brings back the long lost but now doubly welcomed faces. Our Alumni will value the medium through which the past and present are brought into loving,

living touch. Correspondents, pay more attention to your Alumni notes. Verify them, and in this we may find, as has been so thoughtfully suggested by a brother Editor, the solution of the problem, How shall we enthuse our Alumni?

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We would venture another suggestion as to how to make the PALM of more interest. Illustrations are deservedly popular. It would be well if we could have photographs of individuals and of Chapters in every issue. In addition to this, views of the buildings of the colleges where we have Chapters are most interesting. Why can't every Chapter make its personnel and its home surroundings known to other Chapters in this way? Of course, it would have to be done at the expense of the Chapter or college—it is a fine advertisement of a college and would pay the authorities—but it can be done at a very low rate and would yield as profitable a return as any Chapter or college could secure from the like amount otherwise invested. We trust that this suggestion will receive the careful attention of the Chapters and by them be submitted to the Faculties of their respective institutions.

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#### THE BANQUET OF NEW YORK ALPHA LAMBDA.

It was a representative body of Alpha Taus that assembled in the parlors of the Southern Society of New York on the evening of May the 30th. Cornell and St. Lawrence had sent their quota and Stevens was present in the genial person of Brother McCord.

The Alumni, too, of New York and New Jersey were out in good number, and altogether it was a gathering of more than local significance and importance.

After a most pleasant and informal chat, the large assemblage adjourned to the Club dining room and the Brothers were soon arranged in their appointed places. The position of Toast

Master had been assigned to that most charming and delightful of social fellows, Walter H. Page, Manager of the *Forum*. With such a genius in the presiding place, the flow of wit and humor and brotherly love was most abundant and natural. This "Brightest Page of Alpha Tau Omega"—a compliment justly bestowed upon him at the famous Richmond Congress of many years ago, had evidently lost nothing of his zeal and love for the old Fraternity, and it must have been an inspiration to the new Brothers present, as sitting at his feet, they heard the story of the old love and fervor of the Fraternity. From his large experience, he drew many incidents showing the worth and loyalty of the men who have worn the Maltese Cross in the past, avowing that he had never met other than a man well worth knowing under the sign and badge of Alpha Tau Omega. The evening could not have been more profitably or pleasantly spent than in listening to these old experiences, but a toast list had been prepared, and after full justice had been done the elegant banquet, the speeches of the evening were called. Every appointed speaker was in his place, and the list which we append was strictly adhered to both in speaker and subject.

Where everything was excellent, it is unjust to discriminate, so it must suffice to say that the speaking in ability and devotion was up to the high standard which always characterizes meetings of Alpha Tau Omega.

It is but just, however, to add that Alpha Lambda deserves great credit for the success of this gathering. The personnel of the Chapter indicates great promise for the future of our Fraternity at Columbia. Evidently our men can hold their own with any in this great college. Men of finer ability and better appearance, the maturity of the members of this Chapter being a long way above the average, we could not desire, and a reasonable hope will be disappointed if this Chapter does not rise to high importance in the full development of Alpha Tau Omega. Long life and great prosperity to Alpha Lambda!

We add the program of the banquet and exercises, and compliment the exquisite taste with which every detail of the entertainment was carried out.

## MENU.

Radishes.	Blue Point Oysters.	Olives.	Sherry.
	Lyon Sausage.	Consomme a la Colbert.	
Kennebec Salmon, sauce fleurette.	Cucumbers.		Sauterne.
	Filet of Beef a la Richelieu.		
New Green Peas.	Potatoes Duchesse.		Margaux.
	Sorbet, A. T. O.		
	Roast Squab.		
Lettuce Salad.		Currant Jelly.	
Strawberries, Swiss style.		Cheese.	
	Coffee.		

## TOASTS.

" Though my stomach was sharp, I could scarce help regretting,  
To spoil such a delicate picture by eating."

—GOLDSMITH.

TOASTMASTER,  
WALTER H. PAGE.

1. OUR FRATERNITY, . . . . . REV. DR. OTIS A. GLAZEBROOK.

" True happiness  
Consists not in the multitude of friends,  
But in the worth, and choice: nor would I have  
Virtue a popular regard pursue.  
Let them be good that love me, though but few."

—JOHNSON'S CYNTHIA'S Revels

2. A. T. O.'S IN THE WORLD, . . . . . WILBUR N. HORNER.

" In the world's broad field of battle,  
In the bivouac of life."

—LONGFELLOW.

3. ALPHA LAMBDA: ITS PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE, EDWARD LYLE.

" Calchas, the sacred seer, who had in view  
Things present and the past, and things to come foreknew,  
Supreme of augurs."

—DRYDEN.

4. OUR ALUMNI, . . . . . WALTER T. DANIELS

" These are they that  
Deserve their greatness and unenvied stand,  
Since what they act transcends what they command."

—SIR J. DENHAM.

5. "OUR WORK," ALPHA KAPPA, . . . . . CHARLES MACCORD.

" The field  
To labor calls us now with sweat imposed."

—MILTON.

6. MEMORIES OF ALPHA OMICRON, . . . . . W. J. WOODS.

" Still o'er these scenes my memory wakes,  
And fondly broods with miser's care;  
Time but the impression deeper makes,  
As streams their channels deeper wear."

—BURNS.

7. OUR LAWYERS, . . . . . **GEORGE G. DONNALLEY.**  
 " Do as adversaries do in law : strive mightily, but eat and drink as friends." —SHAKSPERE.

8. SISTERS IN A. T. O., . . . . . **GEORGE F. MORGAN.**  
 " I fill this cup to one made up of loveliness alone,  
 A woman of her gentle sex the seeming paragon :  
 To whom the better elements and kindly stars have given  
 A form so fair, that like the air 'tis less of earth than heaven." —EDWARD C. PINKNEY.

9. "SWINGS," BETA THETA, . . . . . **J. W. MACNEIDER.**  
 " Fain would my muse the flowing treasure sing,  
 And rising glories of our Beta swing." —ANON.

10. OUR BANQUET, . . . . . **D. L. JAMISON.**  
 " To feastful mirth be this white house assigned,  
 And sweet discourse, the banquet of the mind." —POPE.

11. THE FUTURE FRATERNITY, . . . . . **E. J. MURPHY.**  
 " The spirit of deep prophecy he hath :  
 What's past, and what's to come he can descry." —SHAKSPERE.

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### A SUGGESTION.

Since we have an Alumni of 3,000 members, many of whom will attend the World's Fair, would it not be a good idea to make some arrangement by which Alpha Taus can meet together at that time. If proper arrangement is made it will offer an opportunity to those long out of college to meet the friends and brothers of their college days, as well as the younger Alpha Taus.

I suggest that a suitable room be engaged, some enthusiastic Alpha Tau put in charge of it, that a record be kept of all those who visit it, have it adorned with A. T. O. emblems, etc., and I have no doubt it would be a source of pleasure to many of "the boys." If this meets the approval of Alpha Taus means may be devised by which it can be accomplished. We would like to know the views of the Alumni on the subject.

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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GIRARD COLLEGE, PHILADELPHIA, May 16, 1891.

*To the Worthy Master of Alpha Tau Omega, Greeting:*

Your earnest attention is kindly asked to the provision in our economy, requiring subscriptions to be made to the PALM; but few Chapters have responded to the appeals already made, hence the urgency of the High Council. It appears to be the universal opinion that the PALM is not only worthy of support, but an absolute essential to our development.

The official organ of the Fraternity is just what the Order makes it, and is not in any sense the simple expression of the personal notions of its Editor. It exists solely to afford an opportunity for every undergraduate and alumnus to bring before the Fraternity what he considers most important to her welfare, and indirectly its office is to acquaint the world with the spirit and purpose of Alpha Tau Omega.

The issue of the PALM now in the hands of the Fraternity was produced at no little expense to the Order, and great labor on the part of its Editor. The W. G. K. E. was relieved of \$300, so that we might meet the demand for a first class article, and in return there has been received not more than \$230 in subscriptions.

This frank statement of facts makes it evident that there is no indication of any overflowing liberality on the part of the Brothers in maintaining what on every occasion they steadfastly urge, is a matter of greatest importance.

Our deep interest in Alpha Tau Omega we believe will excuse us from the charge of harshness, as it should be no evidence

that we think any the less of each other because we use plain language, and the Chairman of the High Council still holds the firm conviction that when Alpha Tau Omega is called she is not slow to respond. There certainly is at the present time, urgent necessity for a deeper and more practical appreciation of the official organ of the Fraternity.

Fraternally in A. T. O.,

N. WILEY THOMAS,

*Chairman of High Council.*

## CONGRESS ORATION.

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(DELIVERED BY BRO. S. B. CHADDOCK, OF MICHIGAN.)

Somewhere in a book I have read the story of an undeveloped mine. How for ages and ages there had been hidden away from the sight of man the richest of deposits. How accident at last revealed its hiding place; how chance brought to the light of day the precious metal. It may have been but a story, a rare bit of fiction that had for its foundation nothing better than a fertile imagination, and yet it may teach us a lesson. I fain would compare the story of that undeveloped forgotten mine with the history of man. An all-wise Creator has endowed man with certain faculties, the cultivation and development of which will liken him more unto the only perfect man, and we have only to look about us to see how shamefully they are neglected. As the gold in that undeveloped mine brought benefit to none, so the powers with which man is endowed in many instances brings a like reward. He who in the face of adversity makes the best possible use of the opportunities and powers with which he is endowed, achieves a signal victory and leaves to his fellowmen a record worthy of emulation.

True greatness does not consist in having one's name known throughout the civilized world, for if it did, then Boston's pugilist would be a great man and not the magnificent brute that he is. But it consists rather in duty done, of having left the world better for your having lived, or having performed your duty, be it ever so humble.

The greatest successes of the world are not due to the success of one man, but of the many. Each one of us have a mission to perform and our success is measured by the thoroughness with which we do our work.

All may not achieve greatness as measured by the popular canon, yet all may rest content with the consciousness of duty done.

How frequently we have pointed out to us men who have abused their privileges, neglected their opportunities, prostituted their powers. They are but a rudderless ship on the sea of life, buffeted by every gale, till at last driven upon the rocks they are left there a wreck. It is the story of a wasted life, and could we but roll back the past we might see with what possibilities they began the voyage. It may have been under the most favorable of circumstances. The future may have seemed freighted with success, and yet it held the bitterness of defeat. It is the successful business man who in time of prosperity prepares for reverses. It is the careful attorney who briefs not only his own side of the question but masters the opposition as well. In every undertaking in life the possibilities of failure as well as of success should be taken into consideration, for in no other way can we succeed. Fashion will find its devotees and the glitter and pomp of the world its satellites. The soldier boy will don his uniform with its tinsel and gold, will shoulder his musket and will away to the war little dreaming of the hardships it has in store for him. It is but natural that man should be attracted by that which presents a fair view. As the moth hovers about the flame that at last proves its destruction, so man follows the phantom of ambition till at last he finds himself wrecked on some hidden shoal. It is a phantom, for it never brings satisfaction. It may extend to us the golden apple; but when we put forth our hand to take it we will find, as did Tantalus, king of Lydia, that it is just beyond our reach; but should we be so fortunate as to at last grasp it, we will find it not the golden apple that it seemed, but a dead sea apple that will turn to bitter, biting ashes upon the tongue.

How many has this phantom lured on to destruction? Ask it of the king of Macedon, who amidst the regal splendors of his court wept because there were no more worlds to conquer. Ask it of Napoleon, as in solitude on that storm-swept rock at St. Helena he passed his days in retrogression and remorse. Ask it of Arnold, who as an outcast wandered o'er Europe to hear at every turn the blighting, withering curse of "Arnold the traitor." Ask it of him who has pursued that phantom till at last the mask

has been cast aside, and he will tell you that it is a grinning skeleton that laughs at the greed of man. Ambition that has for its object the assumption of power, that it may compel man in blind adoration to bow at its throne, is born of perdition, while an ambition the aim of which is to develop the powers and possibilities of man, is born of God and will merit its reward.

The miser, who, in the solitude of his darkened chamber, gloats o'er his hoarded treasures, the click of the silver and gold is music to his ears; a smile lights up his grim features as there comes stealing into his benighted brain the thought of the power he holds, will die as he has lived, a miser, and his loss will be the world's gain. He had it in his power, by deeds of charity and philanthropy, to rear unto himself a monument that would outlast the great pyramids of Egypt; but he has chosen rather to neglect his opportunities and go down to his grave hugging closer to his breast his hoarded treasures.

It was his ideal of greatness. How different the canons by which man measures his ideal of greatness. Since this world began man has been striving to attain his ideal, that he may leave to posterity a deathless name, a record worthy of emulation, and many are the ways and various the means devised by which the desired end is sought to be attained. The student lives in the hope that the work which has consumed the best years of his life may one day attract the notice of the literary critic. The soldier endures the hardship of camp and field, foregoes the pleasures of home, courts danger with a stolid indifference and dreams of the day when he will wear a commander's epaulets. The astronomer in the dead hours of night searches the heavens for evidence that will confirm his idea of the nebular theory. The naturalist circumnavigates the globe in search of the one link by which he may establish the theory of evolution.

It is but natural. All are striving to reach the same goal. No matter how cramped, how sordid, the life may have been, they are content if they have the assurance that future generations will bow at their shrine. Such was Alexander, who took the sword of conquest, conquered Europe, with burning cities for his watch fires, desolate hearthstones and broken hearts his

trophies, and “died seeking to show himself a god.” Such was Cæsar, whose dream of greatness was so real that he had a slave to remind him that he was human. Such was Napoleon, who sought to lay the foundation of his greatness on fields of carnage. The shriek of shot and shell was music to his ears. The bones of a thousand prisoners of war bleaching on the sands of Egypt attest his cruelty. The flames of Moscow were no more ambitious for their prey than the flame of ambition burning in the heart of the great Napoleon. Borne to his throne on a sea of blood, he put from him the truest friend man ever had, a noble woman, contracted a loveless marriage at whose nuptials presided not the god of love but the god ambition, in the hope that the throne of France might one day descend to one who bore the name Napoleon. Think you it strange that in his last moments he murmured “France, Josephine, Army,” while the waves beating against the rock bound coast of St. Helena sang masses for his soul?

These men have succeeded in leaving to posterity deathless names, names that will endure while history shall be written; but at what a cost. Would you analyze the history of these men, would you read it from introduction to finis and then seek a like immortality?

Better that of a Winkelried than of an Alexander; of a Hoffer than of a Cæsar; better that of a Joan of Arc than of a Napoleon.

But is there no legitimate means by which the desired end may be accomplished? Numberless the ways.

Science, literature and the arts offer fields that are broad, fertile and perennial. And he who makes the right use of the powers with which it has pleased God to endow him is assured of success.

The surest way to mount the ladder of fame is by beginning at the lowest round, for “he who is faithful in a few things will be made ruler over many.” No matter what one’s position in life, “nothing succeeds like success,” and he who gives to the work in hand, be it ever so humble, his best energies, will soon be called to higher duties.

It is the attention to detail the little things in life that makes the successful man. The dreamer idly awaits the opportunity to present itself that he may achieve a grand and a lasting success. But the opportunity never comes, for he chooses to neglect and overlook the lesser duties that are always at hand.

The victories of the French army at Piedmont, at Austerlitz, and at Lodi, were not the result of a superior force, nor were they alone due to the great genius of their commander, but rather to the attention he paid to every detail connected with his army. He left nothing to chance. He waited not that circumstances might combine to lead him on to an easy victory, but rather aided in their combination.

“There is no royal road to greatness.” History records the names of few Miltons, of few Winkelrieds, of but one Washington; yet in every country church-yard you may trace their resting place.

They may be unknown to greatness and to fame; they may never have led an army to victory, yet their lives have been such as to leave its impress upon the little world in which they moved.

Luther, at the Diet of Worms, before the assembled powers of Germany, proclaimed truths that have left their impress upon the world of thought. He left to posterity the heritage of truth and the record of a noble life. Little did he dream of greatness, as in the solitude of the monastery he meditated on the abuse of papal power. Little did he dream that he would one day head a reformation that would bring consternation into the papal court at Rome. But with the courage of his convictions he stood forth and proclaimed the truth, and history will not forget to do him honor.

All may not achieve the greatness of a Luther or of a Milton, yet all may attain success. Duty done will bring its own reward, and though it may not bring greatness, it may pave the way for other duties that will bring quite as much satisfaction. When we read the history of the world we read the biography of her great men, for the history of the world is but its biography compiled.

The name of Michael Angelo is inseparably connected with Greek art. Mozart has his place in the world of song. Turner

will be remembered for his beautiful interpretations of nature. Philosophy will always cherish the name of her Newton, and science the name of her Kepler. Your name may never be written in the annals of your country and yet you have contributed to her history. We read of Napoleon and Wellington at the battle of Waterloo, but we know they were not alone. We read of Nelson at Trafalgar, but we do not forget the brave men who stood at the guns. We read of Perry and his victory, but we do not lose sight of the men who played their part and helped him achieve that victory. Few may know the history of John Howard Payne, yet the melody of "Home, Sweet Home," as sung at every fireside in our land, may lighten the sods that rest on the dead poet's breast. Napoleon achieved more real greatness when at the battle of Austerlitz he held the crucifix before the eyes of a dying drummer boy than when with the tricolors in his hand he led his forces across the bridge at Lodi.

The consciousness of duty done has for its possessor an intrinsic value. "He doeth his alms to be seen of men" is too often the case, and the plaudits of the crowd is his only reward.

Winkelried gathered in his breast the sheaf of Austrian spears and thus made way for liberty.

Nathan Hale perished upon the scaffold with no friend near but his God and the consciousness of duty done.

Washington braved the waters of the Delaware, gave back blow for blow, snatched from the hand of the tyrant the wand of despotism and gave to his people the freedom they craved.

These men achieved greatness not only in its common acceptance, but in truth as well, for they did their duty and reward was merited.

We have pointed out to us men who are denominated lucky, lucky because they have been successful in all their undertakings in life. But when you come to study the history of those men you will find them to be men who have made the best use of their opportunities.

They are not idlers. They are not theorists. They are not idealists. They are practical men. They have recognized the necessities of the hour and endeavored to supply them.

The self-made man is lucky only in that he has been thrown upon his own resources, and contact with the world has sharpened his faculties and developed his powers.

Luck is a fickle goddess, and he who waiting for her passes his days in idleness, will find when the hour glass of time records the evening of life, that repining is useless and remorse his only reward. Better the humblest position in life than the bread of idleness. You have only to read the history of some of our great men to learn from what lowly stations they have risen. A president once sold cabbages in the streets of New York. A great merchant prince sold papers. The greatest inventor of modern times once sawed wood from door to door. Patrick Henry, as he rose in the House of Burgesses to defend the resolutions condemning the Stamp Act, would hardly have been recognized as the careless student. Application, though it came late in life, brought its reward. As he stood forth to defend those resolutions I would liken him to Leonidas at Thermopylæ: but Leonidas had followers; I would liken him to Horatius at the bridge: but Horatius had a friend on either hand. I would liken him to Napoleon at the bridge of Lodi: but the great general had an army at his back. Henry stood alone, and though history may forget to do him honor, the name of Henry will endure for all time, for it is preserved in the hearts of a grateful people.

Whatever your position in life, be it high or low, do your duty, and ever keep in mind the words of Webster, that "if we work upon marble it will perish; if upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon our immortal minds, if we imbue them with principles, with the just fear of God and love of our fellow men, we engrave on those tablets something which will brighten through all eternity."

These the records, these the monuments that will live on, a lasting and fitting memorial to the greatness of their builder.

## OUR ALUMNI.

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To keep our Alumni in active sympathy and co-operation with our Fraternity is a problem that has not yet been solved.

Doubtless, every Alpha Tau has propounded to himself this question: is my fraternity merely a college boy's organization, and if so is it worth my while to give to it that time, attention, and affection, which its prosperity demands? This question is answered, in a large measure, by the interest displayed on the part of the Alumni, with whom an active member comes in contact. When an active member, full of love for his fraternity, meets an alumnus who displays no interest in him nor in the fraternity, how chilling is the effect? On the other hand, when an alumnus expresses delight at meeting an Alpha Tau and anxiously enquires of the prosperity of his chapter, how invigorating and encouraging!

It is not to be reasonably expected that an active enthusiasm can survive the distracting cares of active life, unless the brother be occasionally associated with members of the fraternity, in a fraternal capacity, and keep himself informed on the general work of the order, through the only avenue, the PALM. Moreover, the advantages to be gained through such connection is not to be viewed as helpful to the fraternity alone. The fire of active enthusiasm that is rekindled in the breast of the brother, as a consequence of such association, signifies, not necessarily that he is a living exponent of our grand principles, "the Bible in a nut shell," but that he is a lover of those principles; and this love is a valuable means of strengthening his character. Social and financial benefits are, moreover, necessary results. Will not we seek the company of those we love, and patronize them?

How can we keep our Alumni alive? Alumni associations are of untold benefit to the few who affiliate with them. But these organizations do not reach even the majority. The initiative step must be made by the Chapters; the foundation must be laid in the Chapters' halls, and the Chapters must breathe into the soul of all their members the spirit of Alpha Tau Omega. A brother who has caught the full spirit and import of Alpha Tau Omega will live. One who has not so done can be reached by no effort. These observations lead us to reflect on the necessity of *Chapter work, internal work*, more easily named than described, terms, we dare say, intelligible to all and only those, who have experienced it, both actively and passively. A letter was once received from a brother who had been from his Chapter only two months, who did not know the name of his Chapter. How feeble must have been the *esprit de corps* of that Chapter! It is not extravagant to say that this brother is and always will be an alien in all respects, save that he has worn the badge. Therefore, let the Chapters arouse themselves, imbibe and impress *the spirit*. Let them imitate no man, no matter how brilliant or well qualified in other respects he may be, who has no heart, no love for purity, integrity and friendship; and let the older members give care and attention to the formative influences that surround their younger brothers. Let no Chapter allow a brother to depart from her fostering care, who is not an Alpha Tau in spirit and in truth.

True Alpha Taus will always live, love and manifest interest. But, if they do not continue to receive benefits from their membership in our beloved order, they naturally conclude that it is a thing of the past, an institution for boys, but not for men. How can we dispel this illusion? Only by proving it to be such. We should not attempt, nor is it reasonable to expect, that this prevalent opinion can be overcome in one day or by one effort. Many Chapters, no doubt, have plans by which to keep their Alumni interested. Alabama Beta Beta has adopted the plan of writing, annually, through its members, one *fraternal* letter to her every Alumnus; and the labor has not been without some fruits. The recent act of Congress, requiring the

Chapters to prepare printed reports, annually, and send them, among others, to her Alumni will no doubt be beneficial. But to Alumni Associations must be credited the beginning of a work, calculated to bring Alumni into active connection, which is productive of good alike to the Fraternity and its individual members. Let Alumni Chapters take the second step; the third, fourth and the ultimate expedient will present itself in due time. The proposition is made with some misgivings about its practicability and worth, but it is at least to be hoped that it will bring forth discussion and arouse our latent energies. We deem it unnecessary, for the present, to detail the plan; general outlines will suffice. In general, the proposition is that the Alumni Chapters shall have a separate ritual, of several or many degrees, and a separate organization, sustaining the same relation to the Fraternity at large as the active Chapters, and that only Alumni shall be eligible to membership. We believe that these Chapters can take up the work where the active Chapters leave off, and that, with our members, the necessity of the Knights of Pythias and other similar organizations can be fully met. We are aware that there may be objections to this plan; the principal one seems to us to be that all Alpha Taus will not be on an equal footing. But, it is to be remembered that the active members are only temporarily debarred from taking "the second degree," and that they may be relied upon to connect themselves with some Alumni Chapter at the earliest convenience. In cities where there are twenty or more members the Chapters would be of much more advantage, in many respects, than larger and less select Brotherhoods.

When we have solved the Alumni problem, and not until then, will we have Chapter houses; the Fraternity will then cease to confine its present benefits to active members; and Alpha Tau Omega will attain that distinction which its principles merit. If not in the manner proposed, how then can we arouse our Alumni and keep them alive? Let us consider!

L. C. BRADLEY.

## CHAPTER LETTERS.

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ALABAMA ALPHA EPSILON—A. & M. COLLEGE, AUBURN.

It seems strange that Alpha Epsilon always heads her letter to the PALM with the joyful statement that she is at the highest point of Fraternity advancement, and that never before was she so prosperous; but again we will head our letter in that way, only more emphatically.

All of our Brothers returned from their Christmas holidays ready for earnest work. We commenced the New Year by initiating Brother C. T. Pollard, whom we now with pride introduce to the Fraternity at large.

Every one enjoyed our entertainment, given at the residence of one of our most hospital mothers-in-law. All the youth and beauty of our city were present, this being the first fraternity entertainment of the season.

Our Chapter now numbers 23, namely : Brothers Lupton, Harwood, Glenn, Davidson, Crommelin, J., Thomas, Jones, Allen, Munford, Walker, Gachet, Whetstone, Foster, McKee, F., Crommelin, H., Herbert, Milstead, A., Thorington, McKee, Y., Knox, Nixon, Nelson and Pollard. The last nine of whom were initiated this season.

Our Officers for this year are: C. B. Glenn, W. M.; B. F. Harwood, W. O.; G. A. Thomas, W. K. E.; A. L. Jones, W. K. A.; H. L. Davidson, W. Scribe; F. A. Lupton, W. U.; L. S. Munford, W. Sentinel. We regret very much to lose Brother Knox, who has resigned college to accept a position with an engineering corps at South Dakota.

We are glad to know that Brothers P. L. Hutchinson and T. C. Thorington hold fine positions in the State Chemical Laboratory, at Atlanta, Ga.

We are glad to learn through Brother Glenn what a delightful trip he had to Richmond this Christmas, and we are sure that if all A. T. O.s are like those who were at Congress, they are the finest boys in the world. He especially spoke how royally the Richmond brothers treated the delegates; we are very much pleased with the actions of Congress, especially as regards the new idea of each Chapter sending out a printed letter on the first of June. Let us all be prompt, in order that the letters may reach the different Chapters before the end of the season, which is usually about the middle of June.

We are highly delighted at having our next Congress at Nashville, and expect to have a full delegation present, consisting of nearly the entire Chapter.

We send best wishes to the PALM. May she continue to advance, as we are sure she will, under the guidance of our beloved founder.

H. L. DAVIDSON.

ALABAMA BETA BETA—SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO.

Beta Beta has always endeavored to have a Chapter letter in each issue of the PALM. Not many times has she failed to be represented. She is desirous of sustaining her good reputation in this line, as well as in others; hence the correspondent hastens to send in her quarterly words of "good cheer and greeting."

Through the PALM, Beta Beta says to everyone of her sister Chapters: "A happy and a prosperous New Year to you," and she expresses the hope that every meeting of each Chapter may result in as much benefit to the several members as did her first meeting for the new year. We held this meeting at our earliest convenience after Brother Bradley's return from Congress. We were all glad to welcome him back, and with eagerness did we listen to him as he told us, in as brief a manner as possible, the proceedings of the late Congress, all of which the Chapter heartily approved. At this meeting, nearly every brother offered some cheering word to the Chapter. It was a "rouser," and we feel safe in saying that it was only an index of what all our meetings are to be.

A good many of the Brothers went home to spend the Christ-

mas holidays, but they are now all back at their post of duty, more fully resolved than ever to work for the interest of Alpha Tau Omega. We are almost in the midst of the intermediate examinations, and all the Brothers are at work with a vim. Our Fraternity has always led here in the number of men on the Honor Roll. We wish to sustain ourselves in these examinations, and hope to see our boys lead the list as heretofore.

The prosperity of the Chapter is undoubted, and her success is assured. We have no new initiations to report. Several worthy Brothers were initiated after the last letter was written, but the initiation returns in the last PALM give all their names. Our Chapter numbers twenty-three (23), which is a strong Chapter. It has always been the conviction of Beta Beta that very large Chapters are not always the *best* Chapters; and she is exceedingly careful about "taking in" a man after the number runs up higher than our present Chapter. This fact, possibly, accounts for our not having any new initiations to report. While we are not gaining in numbers, we are evidently increasing in enthusiasm for the Fraternity. While we are not adding to our list of initiations, we are surely gaining in power for the maintenance of our lofty principles. We can truthfully say that no A. T. O. has had recourse to that base proceeding, *political scheming for honors*, a boast which some factions at this college cannot make. We would rather see our worthiest Brother go through the whole college course without a single *so-called honor*, than to have him obtain it at the sacrifice of a single one of our noble principles. This is the ground upon which Beta Beta stands, and upon this ground we know that her success is an inevitable certainty.

We are glad to have with us again our dearly beloved Brother Henry Trawick, who returned to college in December. He has returned to take the Master's Degree. Since he left college two years ago, he had very successfully filled an appointment in the North Alabama Conference. He has been appointed tutor in Greek. He is a whole-souled A. T. O., and is one of whom Beta Beta justly feels proud. One of Brother Trawick's main characteristics, is his good looks (?). The correspondent

has heretofore enjoyed the distinction of being the handsomest (?) man in the Chapter, yea, in college, but he has been compelled to yield the palm to Brother Trawick.

It is difficult to describe our feelings when we learned that Brother Daniels would no longer be Editor of the PALM. We were very much pleased with his management of the PALM, until he became so much enamored with his "pet scheme" about Pan-Hellenism. But for that, he would have again made us a splendid Editor.

But we now feel perfectly safe with regard to the PALM, with the "Father of Alpha Tau Omegaism" at its head. We feel assured that the man who could be the founder of such a noble order as ours, can certainly make a success of the journal that is devoted to its interests. We also rejoice in the fact that Beta Beta is represented on the Editorial staff in the person of Brother Bradley. All we have to say is "just keep your eye on *our* Bradley." We shall let his work as an Associate Editor speak his eulogy.

Wishing the PALM under its new administration unbounded success.

THAD. J. PRUETT.

ALABAMA BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY ALABAMA, TUSCALOOSA.

News notes are very scarce this time. The greater part of the work of a Fraternity here is done the first term. We are, however, keeping posted as to our duties, by meeting regularly, and discussing matters pertaining to the interests of A. T. O. Our meetings are somewhat of the social, rather than otherwise.

We are all satisfied with the proceedings of Congress, and I think B. D. will be found ready and willing to abide by the decisions of the higher powers. No doubt the High Council have acted wisely in taking the editing of our PALM.

We do trust that all Chapters will support this official organ of our Fraternity and do all in their power to make it a first-class journal. We wish the new editors all the success possible, and let every A. T. O. do his might to make success sure and certain for our editors. It is the duty of Active and Alumni

members to support all the institutions of our grand Order, and they cannot do so unless they take the PALM and read it.

Brother E. C. Patty, who was elected delegate to Congress, was prevented from attending by the illness and death of his father. Brother Patty did not return to school the second term, and we miss him sadly. Ed. was a loyal A. T. O., and as he goes out to fight the battles of life alone he will find the principles of A. T. O. to be truly needful in the conflict with the world as they were in college.

Brother Seale reports a glorious meeting of Congress. He says "For one to fully appreciate his Fraternity he must attend a session of the Congress," and some others of us hope to meet the Brothers in Nashville in '93.

We have no new men to introduce this time. The best men in college are picked the first of the year, and we must now wait till another college year begins.

Brother J. M. Francis, who is Assistant Professor of Chemistry here in the University, will leave for John-Hopkins in March to take a special course in organic chemistry.

As regards Pan-Hellenism and other isms we will express our opinions at another time. Love to all A. T. Os.

J. E. TIMMONS, *Correspondent.*

GEORGIA ALPHA THETA—EMORY COLLEGE, OXFORD.

Alpha Theta, as usual, reports "progress," for as well as our former Brothers have done we propose to do better. As the initiation returns show, we are constantly on the increase. If I be not mistaken, some previous letter told you that we have recently fitted up our Chapter hall, and we think it unusually pretty. The mooted question of Chapter House is again calling our attention, and in order to keep up with the other clubs it will of necessity have to take some tangible form. We are not in the habit of being last in any enterprise and certainly shall not be left. Brother Marvin Parks, '92, was elected on staff of *Phœnix*, (the college paper), one of the highest of the honors of T. Society. In the midsummer PALM we will tell you of our commencement honors, and depend on it we will get our share.

RALPH BARDWELL.

GEORGIA ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER—MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON.

Since our last letter nothing has happened to prevent the prosperity of Alpha Zeta.

After a few days recreation during Christmas holidays all of our boys returned except Brothers Walton and Jones, whom we miss and hated to give up.

Since we have returned we have initiated, and take this opportunity of introducing to the Fraternity at large, Brothers Zellars, Jones, Dominick, and Gray, who are staunch A. T. Os. and are always willing to cooperate with us in the promotion of interests.

We had with us Brother Culver from Beta Nu for a short while, but unfortunately he had to return home on account of sickness.

Our membership is now about twenty and as we want "quality," and not "quantity," we can well say, though not boastingly, that our Chapter is in a more flourishing condition than it has been for some time.

Perfect harmony exists among our boys, and, we think, that brotherly feeling which is the leading characteristic of all A. T. Os. We have about finished refurnishing our hall after spending about \$50 on the same, and, as before, we have a hall which will rival in beauty and in situation any hall in the college. We welcome the High Council as managers of the PALM, and hope that under their supervision we will have a journal which will not only be an honor to them, but will reflect great credit upon our Fraternity, and feel sure that the Active Chapters and also the Alumni will do all they can to make it so.

It may have been because we expected too much, but I am sorry to say that for the last year the PALM has not come up to our expectation, and while we do not mean to grumble, still every effort should be made and all energy exerted to make it reach that standard which it should attain.

Greek news is scarce and so we will close this letter and write more the next time. M.

GEORGIA BETA NU—M. G. M. & A. COLLEGE, MILLEDGEVILLE.

Georgia Beta Nu was organized at the Middle Georgia Military and Agricultural College, at Milledgeville, on the 7th

of December, 1888, and until the fall of the past year it had a peaceful and prosperous growth. During the year 1889, the faculty being of the opinion that the existence of fraternities in institutions of learning were productive of no material benefit, we were constrained to hold our meetings *sub rosa*. At the annual commencement exercises of the year 1889, we made so bold as to invite the members of the faculty to our first annual banquet. Since that time the Chapter has held its meetings not unknown to the college authorities, and all our proceedings have been thoroughly in harmony with the rules and regulations of the college. But in November of the past year, for some unaccountable reason, the faculty again became hostile, and immediately ordered us to discontinue our meetings. Our Brothers were so indignant that affairs at the college grew almost into a mutiny ; several cadets left college, and many obtained indefinite furloughs.

All mail addressed to cadets at barracks goes into the college box. This is done by a special order from the faculty. The head of our college—a person who invariably signs his name “Major J. Colton Lynes, President,”—has robbed the college mail box of every communication whose envelope was stamped with the letters A. T. O. As Worthy Master of the Chapter I appointed a committee to appear before this kleptomaniac and demand of him his rights to intercept our mail. He refuses to give an answer, and, moreover, declares his intention of continuing to intercept whatever A. T. O. mail may pass into the college box. We threatened to put the case into the hands of a lawyer, and would most certainly have done so, had not our Alumni residing here advised us to the contrary. They tendered us this advice upon the ground that this act would be productive of material injury to the college: adding also, that we should make this great sacrifice for the college’s sake. Our only course, then, is to grin and bear it. But I am making this letter too long. We continue to meet *sub rosa*, and *will* continue to do so despite the threats of a biased and prejudiced *parvenu*. Will let you hear more from us in the near future.

L. M. LAMAR.

## MAINE BETA UPSILON—MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO.

It is with feelings of great pleasure and pride that Beta Upsilon sends her first greeting to all sister Chapters of Alpha Tau Omega. On April 10th we were initiated into the mysteries of A. T. O. by Brother J. W. Norris, of Vermont Beta Zeta. All were deeply impressed by the ceremonies and delighted with the grand and noble principles of A. T. O. We wish to congratulate Vermont Beta Zeta on their possession of such a worthy member as Brother Norris, and all the boys wish him to visit us again. The initiates, all Maine boys, are as follows: Charles H. Kilbourne, John H. Flanagan, Ralph J. Arey, Bert A. Hall, and Clarence Scott of '91; J. Albert Tyler, Ernest W. Danforth, Stanley M. Timberlake and George Maguire of '92; Perley R. Wilson, James A. Alexander and Thomas J. Young of '93; Frank C. Bowler and George W. Rumball of '94. Saturday evening, the 11th, a banquet was held at Bangor in honor of the event.

We have two other Greek-letter Fraternities here represented, the Beta Theta Pi and Kappa Sigma. Although we are a new Chapter of A. T. O. still we are not a new society at M. S. C. We have been recognized as a strong local society for nearly two years, known as the S. I. U. and have held a goodly share of college and class offices.

For next commencement we have already the following appointments for the stage. Representative of Chemistry Department, Brother Kilbourne, who is also odist of the class of '91; representative of the Civil Engineering Department, Brother Hall, who also delivers the address to undergraduates. There are still some appointments to be made for the stage at commencement, and also for the Junior Exhibition, of which we expect a share. In the sophomore prize declamations we have Brother Alexander, who also delivers the oration on Ivy Day.

We can add with pleasure that Brother Flanagan received, a few days ago, an appointment of Second Lieutenant, having risen from the ranks to that position. We hold two minor offices in the Military Department, and several college and class offices. We all look anxiously for the next edition of the PALM.

The boys are all determined to do what they can for Alpha Tau Omega in M. S. C., and to prove themselves worthy wearers of the Maltese cross.

GEORGE MAGUIRE.

Our Chapter in Maine Beta Upsilon founded April 10, 1891.

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GEORGE MAGUIRE.

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Hoping to see our letter in the next PALM,

I remain, your fraternally,

GEORGE MAGUIRE,

M. S. C., Orono, Maine.

MICHIGAN ALPHA MU—ADRIAN COLLEGE, ADRIAN.

Alpha Mu commenced the winter term with ten active members; but with the second week, one of our brothers, Alfred T. Steele, of East Liverpool, Ohio, was taken ill and obliged to return to his home.

We have been very careful in the selection of men; as a consequence have initiated but one so far, James L. Snyder. We find him to be a true and loyal Alpha Tau and worthy of the Cross of Malta. As this is the first letter from Alpha Mu since his initiation, we take pleasure in introducing him to the Fraternity.

Our Chapter was never in a more prosperous condition than now. The "boys" are fully imbued with the true spirit of A. T. O., and each one feels that "for Alpha Tau Omega, I would lay me down and die."

The best of harmony and good will exists between Alpha Mu and the Chapters of other fraternities located here. The Faculty extends its well wishes, and even the non-frats are extremely respectful and courteous.

Brother O. L. Foster, '88, who is practicing law at Toledo, Ohio, paid us a visit not long since. It was a time of rejoicing and of heart-feasting, for Brother Foster is one of the most beloved of our Alumni.

Alpha Mu continues to receive her share of honors. The latest one was the election by the College Prohibition Club of Brother Will J. Candlish as Orator for the Michigan Inter-

Collegiate Oratorical Contest. We think it an admirable selection, and have great hopes for his success.

We are well pleased with the information relative to PALM, brought to us by your circular. So far as possible will mail them to Alumni brothers as you desire, and will instruct our W. E. to forward the amount due from us.

We extend fraternal greetings to sister chapters and wish them success and prosperity, and there is nothing to be desired that Alpha Mu does not wish for Alpha Tau Omega.

CHARLES H. WILLIAMS.

MICHIGAN BETA KAPPA—HILSDALE COLLEGE, HILSDALE.

As our letter failed to appear in the last PALM, probably from our own delay in sending it, we have the history of the entire school year to record.

The fall term found ten of our old members in college. To this number was added Horace Ittner, who affiliated with us from the Marietta, O., Chapter. We have initiated J. C. Ambler, Class of '94, of Pentwater, Michigan, and have three men pledged.

Among society events in which the Chapter has taken part may be mentioned a reception given us by Brother Jordan, at his home in North Adams, about nine miles from the college. Also a party given in our honor by Mrs. Prof. Chase, as a surprise to her daughter, Miss Winnie Hill. The guests appeared in costume of Colonial times. All present voted it the most unique and enjoyable entertainment of the season. The third anniversary of the founding of our Chapter was celebrated January 25 by a reception at the pleasant home of Dr. Van Vleck, in this city. The thanks of the Chapter are due our friends for so generously opening their homes to receive us. Nor should we forget our obligation to those who have contributed to the adornment of the Chapter Hall, especially to our sister, Miss Susie Kinney, for a splendid life-size crayon of our deceased Brother Ward.

In the spring, probably in May, the Michigan Chapters will meet with us in second annual convention. We hope to

see a large attendance, and urge all brothers to try to be present.

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MICHIGAN BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN,  
ANN ARBOR.

With the close of the college year Beta Lambda is glad to report that she is in better condition than ever before. It has been our aim, and we have succeeded in making her position here secure, and although we have not as many men as some of the older Fraternities, we can count seventeen true to Alpha Tau. We have expended considerable this year for furniture, and have a very comfortable though not luxurious lodge. We hoped the last Congress would be able to do something toward Chapter Houses, but as it did not we are not discouraged, believing some means will be devised that several may be built. The conservative spirit manifested by Congress with reference to granting charters meets our hearty approval. Now let us try and get into a few of the very best institutions. Westward there is a great field as well as in the East.

Our relations with the other literary fraternities are pleasant. Here there does not seem to exist that rivalry so often manifested in institutions of less size, where rivalry leads to hatred. The *Palladium*, an annual published by the nine oldest fraternities, has not yet given us an Editor. At present Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Theta Delta Chi have no representation on this publication, but it is hoped some adjustment may be made, whereby this discrimination will no longer exist.

The University gives no honors save credit for hard work. In classes and clubs Brother Booth is President of the Pennsylvania Club, and correspondent for the University Magazine: Brother Freeman Secretary of the senior law class; Brother Wallace on committee for freshman hop; Brother Ewing spoke in the University oratorical contest, and though not winning the prize, which was lost by one point, did credit to himself and Fraternity.

We have several Brothers with us from other Chapters. We

welcome them as our own. Several are here from other Chapters who do not affiliate; this is also true of other Fraternities; but how an Alpha Tau can read the Constitution and not affiliate is hard to explain. *We extend all Brothers a welcome.* Chi Psi has only four men and it is rumored she has surrendered her charter. She is the oldest Fraternity here, having been in open existence about 45 years.

GEORGE M. HOSACK.

NORTH CAROLINA ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH  
CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL.

We were very glad to hear of the good work done at Congress, and note with pride that there were ten brothers present from our State. Our Chapter now numbers six:

H. S. Miller, Ph.B., '90, Assistant in Chemistry.

E. W. Martin, B. L., '91.

Shepard Bryan, A. B., '91, Assistant in Latin.

G. L. Peschan, Ph.B., '93.

W. E. Holt, Ph.B., '94.

W. Bingham, A. B., '94.

We also have with us Brother G. H. Claffin, (Vermont B. Z.) as Assistant in Mathematics; he gave us a very pleasant surprise by bringing back with him after the holidays one of Vermont's fair daughters. I enclose a notice of the marriage. Our building fund, though not very large at present, is steadily increasing; we now have on hand \$735.00 in cash and notes. We sincerely wish much success to the High Council in their determination to put the PALM in the very front rank of Greek journals, and pledge our earnest co-operation and hearty support.

W. BINGHAM.

NORTH CAROLINA CHI—TRINITY COLLEGE, NORTH CAROLINA.

Since our last letter to the PALM we have increased our number to seven, by the addition of the following Brothers: A. D. Barnes, '93; J. W. Jones, '92; C. T. Harris '92; W. T. McDowell, '91. These are all loyal and enthusiastic Alpha Taus and we are proud of having such men with us. Alpha Tau Omega, though here *sub rosa*, is at the front in everything; three of our number were elected to the Board of Governors of the Athletic Association.

Brother Durham is Prophet for senior class, of which your correspondent is Secretary, and in numerous other ways, is A. T. O. ahead; but most of all, we pride ourselves on the success of Brother Nicholson, who obtained his license to practice law by an examination before the Supreme Court a few weeks ago, and came through with much honor, though he had read law by himself without any instruction for only four months previous. Here is one who will do great honor to A. T. O. before many years.

W. H. JONES.

NEW JERSEY ALPHA KAPPA—STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, HOBOKEN.

The Chapter has been hard at work and has succeeded in renting and furnishing a flat, which answers for a club room and chapter hall. We have five rooms which we have fitted up and which are very pleasant. They will do well for us until we have enough men to be able to hire a house, as is done by each of the other fraternities here.

No new members have been initiated, but we have one fine man pledged and expect to make him one of us before long. At present we have but six members.

Since our organization we have been on the lookout for good men, but fraternity rivalry here is very strong and our Chapter is young. Still we have a great deal of hope, and expect to be "way up" next year.

H. H. MACCORD.

NEW YORK BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA.

The college year of 1890-91 opened with fifteen of our old men back. The class of '90 had taken out twelve of our best men, but in spite of that we have moved serenely along, and in point of numbers, and we hope in other ways also, have very nearly filled the gap left by the graduation of '90.

This fall we moved into our new quarters, a large, roomy three-storyed brick on University avenue, and here we expect to stay until we have a house of our own. We consider the house the equal of any other fraternity house at Cornell, and certainly its location is unsurpassed. There is an acre of ground about the house, giving ample room for lawn tennis courts, etc.

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house

Our new initiates this year are Arthur Gorden Laird, P. G., Nova Scotia; Steward Woodford Young, '90, Orient, Long Island, Instructor in Chemistry; William Greene Atwood, '92, Fedonia, N. Y.; William Herbert Dole, '94, Riverside, Cal.; Ramon Aquilar, '94, New York; Lyman Bradley, '94, Spencer, N. Y.; Lester Ludyah Robinson, '94, San Francisco, Cal.: Thomas Henry Nicholls, '94, Dutch Flats, Cal., and Charles Edward Rogers, '94, Whitneys Point, N. Y. All men who will prove worthy members of our great Fraternity.

In both athletics and social matters, as well as in scholarship, we have as usual kept up our end. One of our new men, W. Herbert Dole, won the H. B. Lord scholarship in mathematics for 1890-94.

On the 'Varsity crew of last spring we were represented by Daniel Upton, '90, and W. S. Dole, '92, in No. 7 and stroke, and in the Freshmen crew by C. J. Barr, '93, in No. 6.

In the foot-ball team we had Edwin Yawger, '91, captain and quarter-back, and C. J. Barr, '93, left tackle; and on the second eleven by H. Bush, '93, center rush; W. G. Atwood, '92, end rush, and G. R. Harvey, '93, full-back.

In the fall athletic meet C. E. Rogers and W. Herbert Dole took part. The chances of W. H. Dole stroking the '94 Freshmen crew are excellent.

In the way of class offices we have the Chairman of the Senior Banquet Committee, E. Yawger, and J. Murnoz and F. Titus, respectively, on the Senior Ball and Photograph Committees. The senior and junior foot-ball directorships are held by E. Yawger and W. Atwood; the Chairmanship of the Sophomore Banquet Committee by S. McNider, and the Freshmen Athletic Director by W. Herbert Dole.

Beta Theta's third annual banquet was held the 21st of last November, when twenty-three participated, exclusive of those unfortunates who were training for the foot-ball team.

Twelve of our boys attended the Junior Promenade, where, as usual, the A. T. O. sisters were unsurpassed.

Our delegates to Congress have come back with many tales

of the fine fellows they had met and the cordial way in which they were received and entertained.

The more we learn of our other brothers in A. T. O., the prouder we are of the great Fraternity to which we belong.

WALTER SANFORD DOLE.

NEW YORK ALPHA LAMBDA—COLUMBIA COLLEGE, NEW YORK.

Alpha Lambda comes forward to again salute her sister Chapters and the Fraternity at large: she comes, as it were, after a long sleep to extend the morning greeting to all who are united in the bonds of A. T. O. Her heart is filled with joy when upon looking into the sky she beholds the morning star of Alpha Tau Omega's destiny well above the horizon. Among all the bright radiants which people the fraternal heavens, none shine forth to her with half the purity and loveliness as that under whose guidance the future of Alpha Tau Omega is laid. But she is started from her dreamy visions of the future by a voice from her elder sisters which relates a story of the mysterious peril of the heavens through which our star has just passed. Our precious luminary which now shines so brightly and in whose rays the prism can detect no color save virtue, truth and love, would have been destroyed by a great monster called Pan-Hellenism, had it not been for the timely vigorous and frantic efforts of the sister Chapters in driving the monster away; like in the time of Columbus, when, at an eclipse of the moon, the honest-hearted natives of the West Indies joined in a ghost dance to frighten away the great fish that was trying to swallow the moon, so in like manner the sister Chapters have by their efforts dispelled from the sky that nebulous devilfish Pan-Hellenism and our prophetic star now courses proudly on to reach its proper destiny.

Alpha Lambda, admiring the wisdom of her sisters, is grateful for the preservation of our guiding star, but must hasten to speak of the active duties of Chapter Life. She has thirteen loyal sons, the affiliation of a brother from Cornell, a good Chapter Hall, and with the courage and zeal inspired by true Alpha Tau Omega spirit, borne upward and urged forward by congratulations and well wishes from many sister chapters, she hopes to put

Alpha Tau Omega in the front rank in New York City, and thus make herself an honor and an ornament to the grandest of fraternities.

With this hope and a promise that she will introduce to you all each member of the Chapter, and give a detailed account of our start with the trials and benefits of fraternity life in Columbia, she begs to again extend again to all her most hearty greeting.

E. J. MURPHY.

OHIO ALPHA PSI—WITTENBURG COLLEGE, SPRINGFIELD.

We are again reminded that the time has come for Alpha Psi to inform the fraternity of her present condition and future prospects, a duty which she cheerfully performs, being in good condition at present and with very bright and flattering prospects for the future.

Since our last writing we have been granted the privilege of grasping by the hand our W. G. C. and four of our brothers from abroad, three from Delaware, Brothers Richard, Whitaker, and Deetz, and Brother Work from Wooster, all of whom were delegates to the State Y. M. C. A. convention, which met in our city.

Brother Deetz seemed to appreciate the liberty granted the Wittenberg girls, and will no doubt return to Delaware an ardent advocate of woman's rights in the broadest sense of the term.

After the meeting of the convention we repaired to our hall, accompanied by our four brothers and W. G. C., and felt highly favored in listening to an address from each of them, all of which were pregnant with the spirit characterizing all true Alpha Taus.

We are always especially glad to have with us our W. G. C., as he invariably leaves us instilled with renewed zeal and enthusiasm for our noble Order.

We are gratified with the prospects of having our hall returned in the near future.

Brother McGrew returned from Congress with a high ideal of true Alpha Tauism. Judging from his report Congress was certainly a great success.

The utmost harmony and fraternal feeling now invades our ranks, which we consider an essential to strength and progress.

We are glad to know that Alpha Tau is becoming more and more conservative in entering only first-class colleges. Let us have quality and not quantity.

With fraternal greetings to all,

M. L. BEARD.

OHIO BETA ETA—WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE.

Unfortunately this letter for the PALM has been delayed until to-day, but I send it, hoping that it may still reach you in time.

Since her last letter Beta Eta has lost five men by the graduation of the class of '90, and gained three new men by the initiation of Will D. Cairn, '92, Otto W. Carpenter, '94, and Sagito Linn, '94. At present she numbers fourteen.

Although in the four years of her existence she has passed through the usual fortunes and misfortunes of Fraternity life, yet this year Beta Eta has been remarkably fortunate in unanimity of work and uniform success. We have developed a greater interest in the General Fraternity, and have endeavored to avoid that feeling of exclusive chapterism which is liable to arise to a greater or less degree. Hence we are especially interested in anything that tends to bring our fraternity toward the highest ideal of fraternity.

Striving more for that lasting friendship founded on congeniality than mere outward display of honors, we have lived at peace with the other Fraternities, and have reaped our full share of College honors. On the College papers we were represented last year by two men, this year by three men, and next year by one man. On the annual programmes of our different literary societies we have been ably and fully represented. In athletics we were represented by two men on the foot ball team. We have also been represented in class and society offices. Our chief aim, however, is that we may never lose that spirit of steady progress which so distinctly characterizes our whole Fraternity. Our total enrollment is twenty-two, fourteen active and eight Alumni members. Of our Alumni one is preaching, three are divinity students, one is in the bank-

ing business, one is teaching, and two are endeavoring to regain their lost health.

The respective numbers of the different Fraternities here are as follows:

	ESTD.	SEN.	JUN.	SOPH.	FR'SH.	TOTAL
$B\Theta\Psi$ .....	1853	3	2	1	2	8
$\Sigma X$ .....	1855	....	....	4	1	5
$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ .....	1860	3	4	2	3	12
$\Phi K\Psi$ .....	1861	3	3	7	1	14
$\Delta T\Delta$ .....	1866	2	5	4	3	14
$\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ .....	1869	....	3	3	2	8
$X\Phi$ .....	1873	2	1	....	2	5
$AT\Omega$ .....	1887	8	3	1	2	14
$\Sigma AE$ .....	1888	4	5	1	3	13

ROBERT L. RICHARDS.

OHIO BETA MU—UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

Brother F. C. Colvin returned from Congress thoroughly imbued with the noble principles of our Fraternity, and speaks in the highest terms of the royal way in which he was entertained.

We would urge the formation of an Alumni Building Association, as proposed at Congress, as we believe it would be a most satisfactory means of providing for necessary Chapter houses. Some definite action should be taken in this matter *soon*, and good results will be apparent before long.

The manner of granting charters, adopted by Congress, throws a great deal of responsibility upon the Chapters, and they should vote accordingly. We have already voted upon one case.

Brother Colvin responded to the toast, "The Ladies," at the recent Democratic celebration on Jackson's day, and a few days later was agreeably surprised to receive a photograph of Mrs. Governor James E. Campbell, together with the compliments of the Governor, for his able toast and the high compliments paid the ladies.

There were eight contestants—six being Frat men—on the preliminary contest and much interest was aroused. Brother

C. C. McMichael, '92, represented A. T. O. with honor and acquitted himself nobly. He received many compliments and special mention in the University *Voice* for his fine delivery and the pleasing manner in which he delivered his oration, although he did not take first place.

Brother H. B. Work, '93, was chosen as Delegate from his class to the 24th Annual State Convention of the Y. M. C. A. at Springfield.

Brother McMichael "toots" as second tenor in the University Quartette, which will furnish the music for State Oratorical Contest.

We have Pan-Hellenism in practical operation here. It has been tried for a number of years, and has proved successful in every way. All the Greeks look forward with expectation to the night on which the banquet is held. For one night, at least, they "bury the hatchet," and all meet for a jolly good time.

Brother A. L. Juilliars has been appointed on the committee of arrangements, and Brother H. F. Allison will deliver the toast for our Chapter.

The largest reception given by any Fraternity here this season, was given by the excellent ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta, on the evening of February 12th. More than two hundred invitations were issued, and an immense time was enjoyed.

We expect enough brothers here at the State Oratorical Contest, on February 19th, to have a State meeting and then form a State Association. As to how we succeed and what we accomplish, we will report in next PALM letter.

We have no new members to introduce to the Fraternity at large, but have reason to be proud of our success in other directions. Some of the brothers have recently invested in some fine jewelry, and we all, with one exception, have fine badges.

W. S. LOBINGIER.

#### OHIO ALPHA NU—MT. UNION COLLEGE, ALLIANCE.

Ohio Alpha Nu at present consists of nine tried and true Knights of Malta, who are strong to advance the interests of A. T. O. in every possible manner. Owing to the high standard which our Chapter maintains at Mt. Union, we have been very

conservative during the present year. We have initiated but two men as yet. One of these was reported in our last letter. The other is Brother Ernest James McCall, '94, of Nelson, O., who was admitted to the Temple of Friendship on the evening of February 7th. Brother B. L. Paine, '90, has engaged in business at Nashville, Tenn., so that all of our '90 Alumni are filling good positions. On the evening of the 24th Alpha Nu will celebrate her tenth anniversary, at the residence of Brother H. W. Brush, in Alliance. The brothers, with their lady friends, expect to enjoy a pleasant re-union on that occasion. We returned from Congress with a renewed desire to further the interests of our beloved order, and hope that that desire may only grow stronger as the years roll by.

W. J. OBY.

OHIO BETA RHO—MARIETTA COLLEGE, MARIETTA.

Again Beta Rho knocks at the door of the sanctum. When last she came she was the youngest of the sisters, but since then others have been born. In fact, we are able to walk now. Considering the troubles of a young Chapter, we have been very prosperous. At present we have eight active members; two juniors, two sophomores and four freshmen. Two have been initiated since our last report.

Our prospects for securing new men are bright, and as we graduate no men this year, next year freshmen will be clear gain.

The best feeling prevails among the Fraternities here. It is very probable we will have a Pan-Hellenic banquet at the close of the term.

Marietta has awoke, both city and college. Andrews' Hall, the new building for the Preparatory Department, will probably be dedicated during Commencement. It will be the finest structure in this place.

Our recently established sister institution, Elizabeth College, for the higher education of young ladies, is in a flourishing condition. The college boys irreverently style it "Libby Prison."

The best hopes and wishes for our brotherhood.

H. R. GREENE.

PENNSYLVANIA TAU CHAPTER—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA,  
PHILADELPHIA.

In 1881 our esteemed brother, N. Wiley Thomas, founded the Pennsylvania Tau Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity in the grand old University of Pennsylvania. For seven years the Chapter lived and prospered, having in this time about twenty-five members. But in 1888 nearly all the brothers left College, and those who remained, feeling themselves too few to keep on in the work, surrendered the charter.

The Chapter was not revived until last fall, when Brother A. J. Yost, of Pennsylvania Alpha Iota entered the University to take the medical course. Being a born Fraternity man he could not rest until he had again established the Pennsylvania Tau Chapter.

After some searching he had Brothers Spangler, Hogue and Lichty by his side, and through their combined efforts they secured the charter members and the Pennsylvania Tau Chapter once more clasped hands with her sister Chapters in the circle of brotherly love.

We started out with Brother Spangler, '92, medical, Brother Hogue, '92, dental, Brother Haskell, of the Biological Department, and Brothers A. J. Yost, Harry Keim, J. A. Lichty, Robert Yost, James D. Casey and your correspondent, of '93, medical. At our next meeting we expect to take in two new men who are both fine fellows and by long acquaintance have proven themselves worthy of wearing the A. T. O. pin.

As yet we have not succeeded in getting into the Collegiate Department of the University, but we are working with this in view, and hope to soon be thoroughly established there.

On Friday evening, January 30, the A. T. O's of Philadelphia and vicinity held a banquet at Boothby's. There were twenty present, Brother Thomas presiding.

Chapters from the North were represented; from the South as far as Georgia, from the East, and from the West as far as Michigan, and during the evening numerous toasts were given on the various Chapters. It was a refreshment for both the mental and bodily man and was heartily enjoyed by all.

CLARENCE R. McCAIN.

## PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA UPSILON—PENN'A COLLEGE, GETTYSBURG.

Our past is improving, our present prosperous, and the outlook for the future brilliant and encouraging. Never before was Alpha Upsilon in a more flourishing state of growth. Our roll at present consists of fifteen (15) men, and hence are free from the necessity of exerting all our available energy in obtaining recruits, and devote principally what time we have to internal improvement.

The feeling of fraternity—by which we mean the true spirit of fellowship and congeniality of brothers devoted to the best ends, morally, socially and intellectually—was certainly never stronger. We are very scrupulous in not encouraging the introduction among us of mere intellectual phenomena and mental prodigies, but foster the careful selection of men possessed of good judgment, men who are thoroughly balanced and whom we may hope to hear from in after life in a manner that will prove indicative of the immortal principles of Alpha Tau Omega.

It is an undisputed fact that Alumni associations impart inspiration and increased prosperity to active Chapters, and hence the imperative and compliant necessity of establishing the same. Let the individual Chapters of the several States in which A. T. O. is represented relieve themselves of this incumbent duty of perfecting our noble and invincible order by not only urging it, but to consider themselves personally responsible until the organization of the desired Alumni associations has been completed. Pennsylvania is in great need of an Alumni association. Who will institute the initiative step? A hearty and early response is earnestly and anxiously awaited.

Though we fully recognize the importance of extension, yet we deem it of still greater importance to have it limited to strictly first-class institutions. Alpha Tau Omega can now well afford to be conservative; for she has attained to that enviable degree of perfection when *quality* alone should be the primary consideration, and *quantity*, yes, even less than a secondary matter. Let us strive to enter such institutions as the Univ. of Texas, Chicago Univ., Stanford Univ., Cal., Johns-Hopkins Univ., &c. This collegiate term we have admitted into the sacred mysteries

of A. T. O. Brothers Joe. Hay and Ralph Cannon, of York, Pa., and Brothers Percy Hoover and Ira Hoover, of Waynesboro, Pa. Four (4) more promising brothers are nowhere to be found.

Alpha Upsilon is exceedingly gratified at the wisdom manifested by the Quarto Centennial Congress in placing the entire management of the PALM under the sole control of the High Council, for henceforth the fraternity can truly expect to find expression through the columns of an organ devoted exclusively to the interests and welfare of Alpha Tau Omega, no longer a PALM adulterated with a promiscuous and indiscriminate mixture of Pan-Hellenism and Alpha Tauism.

Brother Rev. Steck has entered into the matrimonial state of life. Our new A. T. O. Soror, Miss Welty, of St. Clair, Wis., was initiated February 13, 1891. May happiness and success shower profusely upon this A. T. O. home at Phillipsburg, Pa., where Brother Steck is engaged in the Lutheran ministry.

That flowery, but deceptive missive from the pen of the *Φ. K. Ψ.* correspondent here, which appeared in last number of their *Shield* is, as the old adage runs, apparently the "baying of a dog at the moon," at any rate the effect produced is about the same.

With affectionate greetings of St. Valentine to all sister Chapters and with the hope you are all blessed with prosperity and are fast adding new blocks of pure, indestructible granite to the grand and imposing edifice whose firm foundation is Virtue, Truth and Love.

H. H. JONES,

*Correspondent.*

## ALUMNI PERSONALS.

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### ALA. B. B.

'89. The Rev. H. C. Howard is a rising minister in the North Alabama Conference. A letter says that to his efforts and energy, beyond all doubt, his Chapter owes much of her great success. Upon the occasion of his recent letter the following account was given:

“Thursday, April 30, 1891, was a day long to be remembered by the A. T. O.s of Beta Beta Chapter. On that day, at 4.30 P. M., in the Methodist Church, at this place, Brother H. C. Howard, of Maysville, Ala., and Miss Lucia Smith, of Greensboro, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Rev. W. H. La Prade, of New Orleans, La., a brother of the bride, officiating. The church had been previously decorated by A. T. O. Sisters and friends. At the appointed hour the bride and groom, preceded by the ushers for the occasion, Brothers J. H. Wilson and T. J. Pruett, E. P. Flowers and L. C. Bradley, walked slowly up the spacious aisle leading to the altar. The ushers took their positions on either side of the altar, while the bride and groom stood under a beautiful floral arch, from the centre of which was suspended a large and lovely A. T. O. badge of Bridal and Marechal Neil roses. The ceremony was solemn and impressive.”

'90. E. K. Turner is Principal of a flourishing school at Eden, Ala.

'90. E. W. Ledbetter is Cashier of the Bank of Piedmont, Piedmont, Ala. He is distinguished for his business ability, and is a rising man.

'90. R. L. Williams is a successful Teacher at China Grove, Ala.

'90. The Rev. T. R. McCarty, A. M., is a member of the North Alabama Conference and stationed at Piedmont, Ala. He is honored and beloved as the founder of Alabama Beta Beta.

90. I. W. Rutherford has a prosperous school at River Ridge, Ala.  
'90. I. P. Watkins has been recently promoted to the Cashiership of the Bank of Roanoke, Va.

ALA. B. D.

'86. John C. Pugh is practicing law in Gadsden, Ala. In his college days he was one of the most active and useful of the Chapter members.  
'90. William W. Harris is a Stenographer at Decatur, Ala.

LA. A. O.

'87. James Dixon is editing the West Georgia *News* at Talbotton.  
'87. George Munro was married to Miss Anna Merritt, at Americus, Ga., October 1st, 1890.  
'88. W. E. Vaughn is a member of the Southern Georgia Conference.  
'89. Mark A. Condler is Principal of a High School. We note with pleasure the following item: Married at the residence of the bride's father, Almon, Ga., Mark A. Condler to Miss Lulu Hardwicken, Jan. 30, 1891.  
'89. Charles Huntington, after graduating at Poughkeepsie with first honors, is carrying on the hardware business in Americus, Ga.

KY. Z.

'86. W. E. Cabell is a lawyer in Middlesboro, Ky.

KY. M.

'76. James Phelan came to Washington, D. C., as a member of Congress and strongly attached himself to the Alumni of that city. Upon his death the following was forwarded to the Palm for publication:  
"Since the last Palm, the District of Columbia Alumni Association has suffered a great loss in the death of its former Worthy Master, James Phelan. When Brother Phelan came to Washington in 1887, he promptly identified himself with the Association. Despite his delicate health and arduous public duties, he cheerfully devoted both

time and energy to the furtherance of the interests of the Fraternity. The announcement of his death came from the Bahama Isles, whence he had gone to seek better health. At a call meeting of the Association on the 18th ultimo, the news was received with profound sorrow. Drafting of resolutions was deemed an inadequate mode for the expression of our true grief. Brother Phelan has left an impression on our hearts that can never be effaced. He entered our *Temple of Friendship* not as a stranger. His political opponent and predecessor in Congress, Brother Zachary Taylor, had often entertained us with campaign witticisms commendatory of his Alpha Tau rival. Much has been said in regard to the Taylor brothers, each representing one of the great political parties in the contest for Governor of the State of Tennessee. Was not this contest quite as remarkable? Phelan and Taylor were 'brothers not by the accident of birth, but by deliberate choice.' Verily this is a land where freedom of thought does not interfere with social ties. By the recognition of this fact, the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity has been enabled to accomplish great good in the liberalization of thought among the youths of our race. The United States Congressional Directory gives the following abstract of Brother Phelan's brilliant career: 'James Phelan, of Memphis, was born in Aberdeen, Mississippi, December 7, 1856; removed with his father, the Confederate Senator, to Memphis in 1867; received a private school education; in 1871 attended the Kentucky Military Institute near Frankfort; in 1874 entered the University at Leipsic, Saxony; after Michelmas, in 1875, received private instruction, principally in Latin, from Richard Sachse, Oberlehrer, in the Gymnasium zu St. Thomas; took the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in February, 1878; returned to Memphis; studied law, and began the practice in 1881; in 1886 was unanimously nominated by the Democrats of the Tenth Congressional District; was elected to the Fiftieth Congress, and was re-elected to the Fifty-first

Congress as a Democrat, receiving 20,149 against 11,730 votes for Eaton, Republican." The Memphis *Avalanche* in commenting upon his death said: "With the single exception of Alexander Hamilton, no man has ever appeared in the political life of America who, at thirty, had accomplished so much or gave such promise of a surpassing career. \* \* \* He was a member of Congress. He had proved himself a thorough journalist, owning and directing one of the leading newspapers of the South. He had written a history of Tennessee, which is so scholarly in its text, so acceptable in its treatment, and so exceptional in its worth as to establish him in high rank among those whose names adorn American literature. Where is his like for industry, for versatility and for that quality of genius which comprehends any task and fulfills any obligation. \* \* \* A scholar to whom the classics were familiar, a politician who keenly apprehended the popular desire, a journalist who had the rare gift of prescience which enabled him to know what his readers would want to know, a student who found no labor too arduous if conclusions might be reached, a man of opinions grounded in philosophy that compelled respect, a leader among his fellows by virtue of his common sense and his intuitive perception of right policies, James Phelan, born to command, commanded. His will was invincible, but his motives were pure."

GEO. A. LAMAR,  
*Correspondent D. C. Alumni Association.*

MICHIGAN B. K.

- '88. H. B. Crosby, A. M., is official stenographer of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Iowa. He resides at Garnavilla.
- '89. The Rev. C. A. Varnum is pastor of the M. E. Church at Muskegon, Mich. The following from the Detroit *Evening News* shows how he is "waking" up the people:  
"Rev. C. A. Varnum has some sound sleepers in his Muskegon Church, and the other day he waked them all up and repeated half his sermon for their benefit, and

then announced that the deacons would furnish pillows to all applicants before services next Sunday."

- '90. I. W. Schemerhorn is Assistant Postmaster at Maysville, Mich.
- '89. A. E. Ewing is studying law at Ann Arbor. As a representative to the Springfield Convention he made a splendid impression upon the older men of Alpha Tau. They predict for him an unusually brilliant career.

MICHIGAN B. L.

- '91. G. M. Hosack is following the profession of law at Uniontown, Pa. He is a valuable member of his Chapter, and ably represented it at the Richmond Congress.

PENNSYLVANIA T.

- '87. James F. Magee, Jr., is a wholesale dealer in notions at Germantown, Pa.

SOUTH CAROLINA A. X.

- '86. F. M. Robertson is engaged in the insurance and commission business at Charleston. He has always been a most loyal and useful Alumna of Alpha Tau.
- '86. W. D. Gaillard is stationed at Charleston as Assitant United States Engineer and is engaged in work upon the Charleston jetties.
- '86. C. R. Kinard is Professor of English and Mathematics at the Citadel School.
- '89. S. B. Platt is a business man of importance at Augusta, Ga.
- '89. R. S. Clarkson, who is a Civil Engineer of Augusta, Ga., has just recovered from a severe illness.
- '90. E. C. Hughes is following a mercantile life, and is in business at Camden, S. C.
- '90. L. L. Gaillard is assistant to Captain F. V. Abbott, United States Engineer.
- '90. R. L. Dorgan is the manager of a book and stationery company at Darlington, S. C.
- '91. I. M. Robertson is a successful merchant in Augusta, Ga.
- '90. I. R. Robertson is in the phosphate business near Charles-ton, S. C.

## TENNESSEE M.

'82. The Rev. Thomas F. Gaylor is Vice-Chancellor of the University of the South. The following clipping from the New York *World* of May 15th will show to what high distinction this worthy brother has already attained: "The Rev. Thomas F. Gaylor, Chancellor of the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn., was to-night elected Bishop of Georgia by the Diocesan Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Bishop-Elect Gaylor is thirty-five years old and a native of Memphis. His father was a soldier of the late war, and for that reason the son has always remained in the South, refusing flattering offers from wealthy parishes in New York and Illinois. Two years ago, when the chair of dogmatic theology in the General Theological Seminary in New York City became vacant, he was unanimously elected to fill it. His refusal to accept was a great surprise. When his name was presented for the Bishopric of Michigan, and there seemed no doubt of his election, he telegraphed his friends to withdraw his name. The most tempting offer which he has heretofore received, from a worldly standpoint, was from Trinity Church, Chicago, while he was occupying the chair of English Literature at Sewanee. The call was accompanied by an offer of \$10,000 a year as salary. This he refused, preferring to remain at the University at a salary of \$1,500. The Chicago church then wrote back, offering to endow his chair for \$100,000 if he would leave it. He steadfastly declined, saying that no amount of money could force him to give up a place where he thought it was his duty to remain."

## TENNESSEE A. T.

'86. John K. Ottley is Assistant Cashier in the American Trust and Banking Company of Atlanta, Ga.

'89. C. S. Orr, Jr., the "Three Times Medalist," is book-keeper in the Nashville Trust Company.

'89. W. C. Johnston is in business at Mechanicsville, New York.

## VIRGINIA D.

- '68. Charles P. Jones is an eminent lawyer at Monterey, Va.
- '79. George W. Morris is a lawyer of distinction at Charlottesville, Va.
- '82. Eugene C. Mossie is of the law firm of Pleasants and Mossie, Richmond, Va., and has a fine practice.
- '85. T. Foster Gaines is manager of the Edison Motor Company at St. Augustine, Fla. He is a very successful business man.
- '85. Dr. W. W. Owens is a prominent physician of Savannah, Ga.
- '86. Dr. Thomas M. Norton is a most successful practitioner of medicine in Washington, D. C. Few young physicians have so speedily attained to high success. His many warm friends were delighted to hear of his recent marriage to one of the most charming young ladies in Washington society.

## VERMONT B. Z.

- '90. Asaph T. Brookins has secured a position as Civil Engineer on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad.
- '90. A. I. Grant is a teacher at Hollis, N. H., and is doing well.
- '90. George M. Claflin, Professor of Mathematics in North Carolina University, is caught at last—safe in the arms of matrimony. But Vermont Experiment Station weepeth for its stenographer, Miss Jessie Lawrence. We cut the following from the *Daily*:  
"Married, at the residence of Mr. Charles E. Fairman, Le Droit Park, Washington, D. C., on the 24th of December, at 8 P. M., by the Rev. Mr. Green, of Calvary Baptist Church, Professor G. H. Claflin, Assistant Professor of Mathematics in the University of North Carolina, to Miss Jessie M. Lawrence, of Burlington, Vt. The wedding was a simple but beautiful one, there being only a few attendants."

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[From Old PALM.]

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One of the best and truest of all Alpha Taus is blind. Of course, every reader of the PALM knows who he is, and a great many know him personally; and they who do not know Jim Green have missed one of the best things in life.

His eyes failed him some time ago, that is to say, his other senses and sensibilities were absorbed in his heart. He can't see, but he feels more deeply than other men. He is all heart; yet head is not lacking. He is an able lawyer and one of the wittiest and readiest speakers I know. Nor is he a pygmy in body. It may seem a rash assertion to them who do not know him, but I have a notion that Jim Green can distinguish an unknown Alpha Tau's voice in a multitude of yelling men. Of this I am sure: I knew him slightly; indeed, I had the pleasure of being in his company only one evening before I went abroad one summer. In the fall when I came back—and he knew nothing of my coming—one Sunday morning I saw him on the street in Baltimore, going as usual to Sunday School. I approached him, and in what I thought was an unnatural voice, I accosted him familiarly, as if I had seen him only the day before. Much to my surprise he recognized me at once.

He is a great fisherman, and an excellent pull at the oar. All boatmen in the bay at Baltimore know him. When you get a chance, have him show you the beautiful and gigantic star-fish he caught. One night he was showing it to a party of us, describing the delicate workmanship of a part of it, and explaining a tinge of blue or green or red or something, when one fellow turned out the gas. He didn't know it, but continued his explanation with accuracy.

As a valued member of the High Council he is now actively engaged in the work of the fraternity he loves so well.

W. H. P.

## HOW TWO BLIND MEN SAW THE CHEROKEE COUNTRY.

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After a year's sojourn in Southern California, I turned my face toward old Virginia, March '87, and went aside from the direct homeward path to visit relatives, in Fort Smith, Arkansas. While there, an old friend and classmate of my university days (blind), rode down alone from his home in the Boston mountains, fifty miles off, to see me, and talk over the happenings of the past fifteen years, we having parted in 1872 at the University of Virginia. He is engaged in stock raising, and said he was just about making his spring trip with his horses and mules for pastime in the Indian territory, when he heard of my presence; and that if I would accompany him, he would mount me well on an educated horse (that is one trained and accustomed to taking care of a blind rider), give me some good fishing and novel experiences. This was an opportunity not to be thrown away. The system of government, mode of life, condition of the Indians and the character of their country have been objects of interest and curiosity to me since boyhood, and I have great fondness for outdoor life in solitudes where the splash of the bass in the stream and the note of the oriole in the woods break the evening silence. I agreed to join him; and with a satchel, of which reels, lines and trout hooks were the leading contents, and my Leonard split bamboo rod, I carried out the agreement on the 20th of April. I doubt if such a procession ever formed and started as that we made up that day in the main street of Boonesboro, Arkansas. There were seventeen mules and eight horses loose; three horses with riders, and two in the camp wagon. Mac and I headed the line, mounted respectively on Josh and the Countess, two handsome, well-gaited animals, whose intelligence seemed confirmatory of the Darwinian hypothesis. The first, a large sorrel gelding, and

the other, a dapper mare with Arabian blood and clean limbs, would have attracted attention at any park. Eugene, a boy of thirteen, was guide to us and whipper in to the stock, and Bill, the colored driver of the commissary department. By reason of its fertility and abundant water supply Northwest Arkansas has a thick and prosperous population, and the people are ruddy and robust, with none of that lank, yellow and washed-out aspect worn by their brethren of the swamps and river bottom lands. We traversed from fifteen to twenty miles of this region before crossing the line of the territory, and when we pulled up toward three in the afternoon, for lunch, by a roadside spring, we were on the border of the red man's land. A few general remarks as to these possessions of the civilized tribes may not be inappropriate before going into the incidents of the trip. The tenure by which the Indians hold the country is what is known among lawyers as a "*Fee simple*." "*To continue while grass grows and water runs.*" It is in the tribes as communities, and not in severalty, but individuals are allowed to take up, hold and transmit as much land as they can cultivate, with certain restrictions as to approaching their neighbor's lines. The Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee or a large part of them, form the consideration on the part of the Indians paid the government for their right to this region and to certain annuities. There are forty thousand Cherokees distributed over eight millions of acres; much of it (at least a third), unfit for cultivation. It is divided into those districts known as "*Going Snake*," (which adjoins Arkansas), "*Saline*" and "*Cooiscoie*," respectively. It was provided in the treaty that the Indians should have a right of way, or outlet from the ninety-sixth meridian west, to the limits of the U. S. jurisdiction, which were, at the time of making the treaty, the Rocky mountains, and in this belt is located that disputed section known as No Man's Land.

"But to my tale." The lunch disposed of, the stock having been grazing around us meanwhile, it was decided to spend the night at "*Red Star's*," fifteen miles further on. Mac knows every one along the proposed line of travel; and

we concluded whenever a house can be reached, we will honor it with our company over night, rather than camp out. "Star" was not at home, but the squaws received us kindly, and as their's was typical of the treatment we met during the excursion, I may be pardoned for some details: Elegant or luxurious would be the wrong term to apply to the accommodations; homely would be better. Corn bread, bacon, milk and butter were the main dishes of the table; and I have done less justice to finer fare, many a time. A ride of thirty miles beats pickle as an appetizer. "Star" is a half-blood, and his two girls, Rose and Jennie, have been to school in the States. They play on a rather wheezy melodeon, and sang in small treble and alto voices for our entertainment after supper. Every Indian house has a fiddle; some times knocked up on the spot out of cigar boxes, and always differing widely from the Cremona, and as it leaked out that I could draw the bow, I was soon taking a hand in the music. And this accomplishment I may say served as a passport to the good-will of several native families who would otherwise have found our entertainment inconvenient. We were given a clean, pleasant bed at ten o'clock, and slept the sleep, if not of the just, at least of the tired. Having asked to be called at the crack of day, we found breakfast waiting, disposed of it, and took leave. A crippled horse occasioned some delay in getting off; he had twisted his neck in the stall and could not stand; he had to be replaced in the wagon by a half broken mule, and left to the care of our friends. Our way lay through the great "Pigeon Roost" on the second day, and here I had an exhibition of equine sagacity that I fear may tax credulity in the telling. I protest, however, that this part of the narrative is not due to any impairment of veracity resulting from my stay in California. The road was encroached upon by a scrubby growth of timber—post oak, black jack and chestnut boughs nearly meeting across it, and hanging low. My mare kept a sharp eye on these obstructions, as if realizing my inability to do so, and passed from one side to the other of the road, almost zigzagging to avoid brushing me, and when they were too thick to be avoided in that way she stopped till I stooped low

enough to go under. There were ten miles of this riding, and my hat was not even taken off. Several deer and wild turkeys crossed the road leisurely in front of us, and Mac would know from Josh's behavior whenever game was in sight.

The pigeon catching industry yields the Indians many a dollar when the birds are roosting here. They are killed by the thousand, by men and boys thrashing the trees with poles at night, and taken alive in nets by daylight. The trap is a simple contrivance, consisting of two bags of netting held open by hoops, and joined like a steel trap, with a spring at the bottom. A stool pigeon, or decoy, hovers over this, fastened by a string, and some corn is sprinkled inside. Sometimes the trapper is concealed in the bushes, ready to spring the nets with a cord, and sometimes the birds are left to do the springing themselves by lighting on a trigger. A flock is passing, the decoy is seen, a few come down, and then others, and snap! the work is done. The live game is cooped and fed, and brings from three to five cents a bird at the nearest railroad points. We cross the Illinois River, lunch on its banks, and go through a flinty, unproductive district to our next resting place. My muscles are unused to such long periods in the saddle, and I feel just stiff and sore enough to make rest welcome.

Ex-Chief Roe entertains us this time. He is the owner of a large range and fine herd, and his dwelling is more pretentious and better furnished than any thus far passed. He is altogether a much more real and substantial personage than Mr. Richard Roe of "ejection" fame. Mac stakes out Josh for the night, and the rest of our four-footed friends graze or sleep near him on the prairie, that is, excepting Rosebud, a Kentuckian, who is thought worthy of better quarters. While Mac, Eugene and Bill are engaged in caring for the stock, a supper of venison steak, hot rolls and coffee being over, I am nodding before the fire in what I suppose will be our bedroom, and if that is right, why not go to bed. I found two couches in opposite corners of the apartment and shedding my outer garments as quickly as an old darkey husks an ear of corn, I turned in. We do not keep correct account of time while asleep, and I cannot say how long

I had been there when I was partly aroused by a confused murmur of voices at the bedside. I caught such remarks as "He must get up, he is in the wrong place, this is the girls' room," coming from the hostess. But I lay there as if they bore no reference to me whatever, not reasoning about it at all, only wishing the noise would stop. A hand was then laid on my shoulder (not very gently) and the same voice said, near my ear, "This bed breaks down, you can't sleep here." "Please go away," I said, "I am pretty stout and won't mind the fall." Then she addressed the bystanders, saying: "Let him alone, poor fellow, me and the other girls will sleep in the other bed; he can't see anything, anyhow." I was awakened in the morning by the female occupants getting out to leave me a clear field and reflected that the whole proceeding had been quite sociable. At breakfast horse talk prevailed, a blooded colt having been added to the cavalcade during the night by Rosebud. Mac said his sire, Red Wasp, was the grandson of Lexington, and his mother out of Gipsy Belle by Lemmington, and if that didn't make speed there was nothing in pedigree. We adjourned to the barn for inspection of the stranger, and the host showed me his points. "You see he holds his head up peart, short coupled, nice round barrel, well ribbed up, sorrel, with a dot of white on his hind feet." They gave him my name, and I stood Godfather with a light sense of responsibility. This episode was the cause of our invitation to stay over the next day, which was accepted with the alacrity that marks the response of a poor new son-in-law when the wealthy and relenting father says "Come, live with me."

A deer had just been brought in. I saw a chance of getting valuable information out of the chief by judicious cross examination; and my bones were still weary. The old man had a den at the end of his back porch, where he could be found smoking and chewing the quid of sweet or bitter fancy, when not riding or walking about his domain. I was taking a little exercise in the spring sunshine on this back porch, when he called me and asked to see my rod and reels. I rigged up for his benefit, and he said it was a very pretty pole, but too light for

their fishing, adding there were some bass in Spring Creek that would jerk it to splinters. I explained how I had seen the tip brought back to the butt by pickerel, in the northern lakes, and expressed my willingness to let anything he could produce try it. I then drifted into conversation about the country, and without regard for the regular interviewer's form, elicited, substantially, what follows: He had lived at that spot forty years, and came from central Georgia. In his boyhood he went to school, to Dr. Lyman Beecher, near Cincinnati; had roamed with Henry Ward, and heard of his death regretfully. He thought the nation (that is his) would have great trouble with railroads and stockmen seeking to intrude, and hoped the government would not acquiesce in their depredations. The government of the territory, he said, was formed after that of the States. They had a written constitution; an executive, legislative and judicial department. The chief and vice-chief constituting the first: the senate and counsel, second; and district courts and a supreme court the last. The chiefs hold office four years, with a salary of two thousand and one thousand dollars a year respectively, that their election would take place in August, Joel Maize (a half breed), being the candidate of the liberal or progressive party, and Rabbit Bunch (a full blood), of the national or conservative. "How do you raise revenue to maintain the government?" I asked. "We have no taxes," he replied, "but we have a yearly income from Washington, which, instead of dividing per capita (as many of the tribes do), we apply to educational and governmental expenses." "What are the resources of the country? was the next question." "Corn, cattle and cotton are the farm products, and our fertility of soil is much exaggerated abroad. The minerals, excepting coal, are not developed, and no one is entitled to more of that than he can use. The nation does not allow private parties to take up mineral claims." "Have the Cherokees any literature?" "No. Early in this century a man named Guest devised an alphabet of eighty-six characters, and it has been used to some extent. Half of a weekly paper published at Talequa is printed in this style." "I have heard your people took an active part in the late

war," said I. "Yes, we had more of it than you did in the states. Some of our people (the partly white) held slaves, and went with the Confederacy, while the others sided with the Union. Several regiments were made up for both armies, and then we began to burn, pillage, and destroy crops, cattle and houses at home, and to shed each other's blood on sight. Not less than a third of our population was swept off by the war; and the hatred it engendered has not altogether died out yet." "Why do people, like the Oklahoma boomers, press to get in? Is it because you have no taxes to pay?" "They don't think of that. It is forbidden fruit, and they want to taste it; but the boys are getting ready for the 'round up' and I must give some orders. To-morrow will be Sunday and if I were in your place I would not leave for Grant river 'till the first of the week." Thanking him for a talk which, his wife said, was more than she had heard from him in a year, I left to look up Mac, wondering whether his reference to Sunday sprung from piety or hospitality; and feeling more than ever convinced that the Indians' cause was a plea to the eternal justice of God and humanity. We compromised by staying to Sunday dinner and going to church. A little school house was the place of worship, and the service was conducted in Cherokee—not an unmusical language. My companion, a half-breed, named Brigham, interpreted this striking part of the sermon to me: "The grass at the foot of the mountain, the tall trees on his side, the cloud's lightning and thunder round his neck, and the sunshine on his head are God's, for He made them," the statement being accompanied by a wealth of gesture indescribable. Some friends of the chief's from a distance dined with us, but their conversation was in the vernacular and not very entertaining to us. I was introduced to Mr. "Bird Duck" whose name struck me as indicating a redundancy of feathers, who told me the following story in broken English: "A Presbyterian missionary named Pierson was riding along one Sunday morning to church, and saw 'Billy Morning,' a half-fool Indian, trying to kindle a fire at a hole in a hollow tree. Seeing the leaves and sticks were damp, and supposing he was trying to smoke out something, the preacher got off his horse,

took out an old newspaper and a match from his pocket, and said, 'Billy I will help you.' Billy had been trying to knock sparks out of his pipe on the little pile of fuel, but he relinquished the business, and put the pipe back in his mouth without saying a word. Mr. Pierson then knelt and touched off his paper and blew on it 'til he was red in the face, for the stuff was wet; but it commenced to crackle, and send up a pretty good smoke into the hole. He then arose, and rubbing his hands, said, with a look of satisfaction, 'I think we will get him now.' Billy removing his pipe, and blowing out the smoke, the hunter replied 'Mind you, Brother Pierson, I ain't said that was a coon, or a rabbit in that hole, but it's a durned good place fur one.' The preacher mounted again and rode away with a sour look, and less faith in humanity."

We had nearly a hundred miles to go before reaching the ranch of Mac's brother, where we intended to leave the live stock, excepting the saddle horses, and ride over to the tributaries of Verdigris and Caney rivers for fishing. We forded Grand river near sundown, Sunday, at a point where the rocky bottom was as smooth as a floor, and on the western bank struck those boundless plains that stretch away to the red rim of the sky. Our next stop was without incident. Heretofore, we had passed through alternate hills and depressions, belts of prairie and woodland; but now there was clean riding and we made excellent time. The squad trotted along like a cavalry company. We sang and talked of old times, jogging along; and at mealtime stretched out in the soft grass to wait for the wagon. There is a sense of freedom about this life, which I suspect lends its greatest charm for the hunter, cowboy and the Indian. My respect for mules was increased by my intercourse with them. They would occasionally crowd, bite, and even kick the Countess, but it was all in fun, and she gave them what they deserved. We gave the working stock corn twice a day, and it was hard to keep the mules from stealing it. But, although we ran against their heads and flogged them away, they never made the least attempt to hurt us. It is true, one of them struck Mac on the head with a skillet, the first instance of the kind on re-

cord, but it was not intentional. Getting some corn out of the wagon we dropped an ear, and when he stooped for it a mule took hold of a piece of rope hanging out, and dragged down part of the kitchen on him. We found ourselves on Charley's ranch on the evening of the sixth day, and in the pleasantest part of the nation—socially.

Intermarriage with Indians has given citizenship to some of Mac's family, and we received a hearty welcome from them. The following week was spent on the creeks lying west of Verdigris with the rod. Bass and several varieties of the perch family abound, and they are not at all shy. The creeks are fed by springs and rains, but the long absence of the latter made them quite low; and a few ponds or lakes formed by high waters from the rivers can be found in the low lands. We rode twenty-five miles to reach one of the latter, only to be told, that last year a party of Barbarians from Kansas had killed every fish in it, with giant powder. The fists and teeth of the true sportsman clench involuntarily at such a statement. It is too bad for comment. We found a succession of inviting pools on Curl creek; and a pair of Indian maidens offered to assist Eugene as guide, taking along their tackle. One of them opened the ball by catching a pound bass, and called me from a bushy spot on the bank where I was trying to make a clear cast, and not succeeding Eugene unfouled my line, and took my arm to escort me down. He was so eager to get at the place, that he forgot to give notice of our being on the edge of a declivity, twenty feet deep, and over I went, dragging him along. It does not take long to roll to the bottom of a slope; and I brought up against a willow at the very margin of the water, while the boy dived into the pool. I picked myself up, realizing that no bones were broken, and felt uneasy as to 'Gene, who by this time had crawled out of the water and was blubbering manfully. "Are you hurt," said I, and his reply, though not direct, was reassuring. He had his eye on one of the girl's corks, and seeing it go under, exclaimed through his sobs, "You've got a bite, Serene." My rod, cheek and hand were scratched, but a hundred and eighty pounds do not come off so well usually, in such

a plunge. I put on a fresh bait, moved down stream a few feet, and caught three or four "Goggle eyes" in quick order, when Mac shouted for Eugene. He had lost two hooks and part of his line with the help of something in his pool, and wanted me to fish it. While he was making repairs we scrambled up the bank, and after hearing Mac's account of the ferocity of the bite, I said, "Let your uncle show you how to get him out," and putting on a sun fish, the size of a dollar, for bait, I dropped him in. In about five seconds there was a strike. I gave a little line to let him have a good hold, and then struck in return. There was a shoot toward the opposite bank, making the reel whistle, and then a jump and a splash toward the lower end of the pool, which proved I was fighting a heavy weight—though not Marquis of Queensbury rules—and that it would take all my skill to avoid being knocked out. My bass traveled up and down the stream like a small steam boat, trying several times to leave the water, but being prevented by a low tip and taut line. I was liberal with the string when he pulled, but ready to reel in the slightest slack or persuade him to turn. His runs became fewer and weaker, and I drew his head toward the surface, so that 'Gene saw him and said, "he is a whopper." He objected to coming near the bank, but as I was the court, I overruled his objections and sent 'Gene down to wade in and lift him out by the gills. He weighed five pounds, and I never saw a better fighter. He carried no hooks but mine, and I suppose Mac's champion had enough of it, for nothing else took hold. We changed position, took some smaller bass and perch, and returned to our starting point where the girls prepared the fish for dinner. We attended a "round up" which I will not describe, but which was marked by jollity on the part of the cowboys and the consumption of unlimited quantities of fat beef, hot bread and coffee. We fished more with varying success. I could ride half a day without success, and reluctantly began to realize that I was getting near my time limit. A few days of social pleasure among kind and refined people closed the excursion; and I look back upon it as among my choice bits of enjoyments, like seeing my first "circus" or sitting on a rock by a spring and watching my

first love coming down a grassy slope, in a pink frock, and white sun bonnet.

JAMES B. GREEN.

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### A TOAST.

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Let the wine now be poured round that brilliant board,  
And each cheek bright with mirthfulness glow,  
And our spirits congenial renew the old pledge  
Of allegiance to *A. T. Ω.*

And a merrier set at a festal ne'er met  
Round the table of Arthur, I trow ;  
And his knights never bore him a loyaler love  
Than we cherish for *A. T. Ω.*

And we'll drink to that love, which no power may move,  
Be our fortunes of weal or of woe,  
And we'll clink our wine glasses together again  
In honor of *A. T. Ω.*

## MICHIGAN ALPHA TAUS.

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The *Hillsdale Democrat* of May the 29th, 1891, contains the following article, which will be of great interest to all Alpha Taus:

The second annual convention of the Michigan Chapters of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity was held in this city last Friday and Saturday, May 22d and 23d. The chapters of the State comprise Beta Kappa, of Hillsdale, who did the honors of the occasion; Alpha Mu, of Adrian; Beta Lambda, of Ann Arbor; and Beta Omicron, Albion.

There were in all about twenty-five visitors from abroad, coming from the different colleges as follows: Prof. E. S. Shives, Worthy Grand Chief or National President, and Mr. George Beam, of Tiffin, O. Alpha Mu, Adrian, Messrs. Wise, F. Ewing, Candlish, Steele, Tobias, Elliott. Beta Lambda, Ann Arbor, Messrs. Hosack, Van Tuyle, A. E. Ewing, Booth, Robinson, Wallace, Godfrey. Beta Omicron, Albion, Messrs. Rice, Whitcomb, Wright, Dodds, Palmatier, Cutler, Jacobs, Wooton, Fenn.

H. H. Ittner, of Ypsilanti, and L. C. Locklin, of Kaukauna, Wis., old members of Hillsdale Chapter, were also present.

The program of the convention began with an informal reception at the residence of Prof. W. M. Chase, Hillsdale Street, Friday afternoon, followed by the fine reception and banquet at the Keefer House at eight o'clock, when the Hillsdale boys fairly outdid themselves as entertainers. A most interesting program had been arranged and the large company of ladies and gentlemen thoroughly enjoyed themselves with listening to the music, conversation, the banquet and the toasts. Owing to the illness of his wife, Prof. W. A. Drake, who was to have filled the duties of toastmaster, was unable to be present, but his place was filled by President G. F. Mosher, of Hillsdale College, who discharged the arduous duties of his position in a very accept-

able and happy manner. The banquet was a credit to the entertainers and to Landlord Keefer, and when the menu had been demolished *in toto*, and the banqueters were reluctantly obliged to desist for "want of room," all settled themselves for a further "feast of reason," the following being the program of toasts:

Our Fraternity. . . . . R. C. WISE, Alpha Mu.

*Manus multæ, cor unum*

Co-Education. . . . . MISS WINNIE HILL.

Study and ease

Together mixt; sweet recreation:

And innocence, which most does please

With meditation.

"She." . . . . CHAS. H. FENN, Beta Omicron.

And when a lady's in the case,

You know all other things give place.

"He." . . . . MISS JOSEPHINE GRAHAM, Pi Beta Phi

Averse alike to flatter, or offend:

Not free from faults, nor yet too vain to mend.

Mission of Fraternity.—MISS LENA SELEY, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

True happiness

Consists not in the multitude of friends,

But in the worth and choice.

The Future. . . . . GEO. M. HOSACK, Beta Lambda.

For I dipped into the future, far as human eye could see;

Saw the Vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be.

The Student. . . . . PROF. W. F. TIBBITS

The program of the evening ended with music and "good-nights" at an early hour (in the morning.)

Saturday forenoon was given up to business, the session being held at Beta Kappa Hall, in the Sutton block. Among the items of business transacted were the adoption of the white tea rose as the flower of the Michigan chapters, and of the following as the "frat yell:" "U-rah! U-rah! We're the boys of Alpha Tau! U-rah! U-rah! Michigan, Michigan, Alpha Tau!"

The convention received a box of fine carnations, the flower of *P. B. Φ.*, from Miss Etta Squier of that fraternity, and returned the compliment by sending thanks and white roses.

After adjournment, the boys "put up" Bro. Shives, and carried him two blocks to his hotel, amidst tremendous yelling and excitement.

Many of the visitors departed by the afternoon trains, but as some were able to stay over for a few hours, an impromptu picnic was gotten up for the occasion and the afternoon was spent at the lake in a most enjoyable manner.

The next convention of the order will be held at Ann Arbor one year from now, when all who can will be present and enjoy themselves, it is hoped, as they did at Hillsdale.

## EDITORIALS.

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Possibly the most important utterance in the interest of Greek fraternities which we have yet heard, reaches us through the *University Magazine* for August, 1891. As far as we know it is the first time that a plea for the recognition of fraternities, by the faculties and trustees of American colleges has been made the principal point in an oration by a distinguished alumnus, before his Alumni Association, at commencement time. It is not so much what was said—for we have heard as strong pleas made through the medium of the fraternity press frequently before—but that a gentleman, long time away from college, of exalted position and large observation should have considered the subject of such importance as to give it prominence upon such an occasion. Surely this indicates a tremendous advance in fraternity influence. We believe it will be of great help and satisfaction to our Chapters to read this address for themselves; so we do not think the space can be better occupied than giving the salient points of this significant oration. The speaker was Chauncey B. Ripley, LL.D., of New York City, and the occasion was the Commencement of Bucknell University, June 23d, 1891. In the course of his address, Mr. Ripley speaks as follows: “Mr. President, I address you not only as an alumnus, but also as a Trustee of Bucknell, representing, as you do, the University in that capacity. I congratulate you and your associates as the advocates of a liberal policy in the administration of the trust you have in charge for Alma Mater. You are, I believe, disposed to keep abreast of the times with other colleges and universities within reasonable limits. To this end, you are erecting and equipping a gymnasium to promote the physical culture of the students. This is a step in the right direction. The doctrine of a sound mind in a sound body is as

old as Horace. Athletic sports are the fashion, and every college must have its team.

The Trustees and Faculty are wisely pursuing a liberal policy respecting the Greek letter societies as well. Any other course would prejudice the University's interests. Such is the expressed judgment of distinguished educators, and of many others whose opinions we are bound to respect.

The Greek letter societies are becoming more and more general and influential in American colleges. They have taken deep root in most of them, including the best, and their future growth is assured. The alumni of these societies keep alive the fraternal relations after graduation, and their clubs and club houses are to be found in cities and large towns all over the country. In an able article written by Stephen Tyng Mather, and published in the New York Sun, December 9, 1890, Brother Mather gives a full history of all the Alumni Chapters and club houses in New York City. He shows that after holding banquets for many years previously, the first club house was erected by Delta Psi, in 1891; that the club is free from debt, having a present membership of 300; from that time many other fraternities followed the example, and that now Greek letter club life is a distinctive feature in New York Society. Mr. Mather, who is an Alumnus of the University of California, a journalist by profession, closes his interesting article in these words: "The clubs have been of the greatest value to college graduates who come to this town from other parts of the country to make a living. If they belong to one of the nine Fraternities which have clubs here, the opportunity is given them of becoming acquainted with the best men in the city. In the ordinary course of events it would take years to gain a social standing of the same value and desirability."

It is apparent from this able essay on the subject, showing the multiplication of these societies, their increase in membership, the erection by them of commodious and costly club houses, that they are already a power in our American colleges and able to exert an influence in all that concerns them. Let, therefore, the faculties and other boards of control of Bucknell so consider

these facts, and so deal with the students in respect to these societies, as to promote, if possible, the best interests of the University.

President Eliot, of Harvard University, recently said: "More than once, when some member of a fraternity has been careless in conduct or study, I have summoned senior members of his chapter, discussed the matter confidentially with them, dwelt upon the injury the man was doing to his fraternity, and insisted that it must reform him or remove him. This expedient has often succeeded when all others have failed. The oldest members of various fraternities have frequently thus devoted themselves to the younger in a way which would do honor to a brother laboring for a brother."

At Cornell, the professors, members of these fraternities, attend the meetings, participating in all their privileges and duties. It is so, too, in the University of the City of New York, and likewise at Wesleyan University.

The late Dr. Martin B. Anderson, of the University of Rochester, once referred in chapel exercises to the clubs of the students as being a pleasure to them and harmless to the faculty. He also made use of them in the same way that Dr. Eliot of Harvard did, in aid of discipline.

Many of our own Alumni, those distinguished and of every profession, were, while in college, active members of these Greek letter societies, and remain active and zealous still in the Alumni Chapters and otherwise. Among them is Rev. O. P. Eaches, D.D., a loyal Phi Kappa Psi. I have in my possession a letter of recent date written by Dr. Eaches in his furtherance of Bucknell's interests, in which he suggests the establishment of a Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. He says: "It will vastly help Bucknell if it can secure a branch of the Phi Beta Kappa Society."

I attach much importance to this interest for many reasons, among others, because, like athletics, the fraternities are popular. Not only the letter of Dr. Eaches, but, as well, consultation with others of our Alumni, satisfies me that we must not ignore nor allow ourselves to be indifferent to the subject. When the

fact exists and is recognized by all, that the best men among college graduates of every profession and calling are members of Greek letter societies, as a rule, it is easy to arrive at the conclusion that the boys of our preparatory schools are not likely to matriculate in a college where there are no secret societies but only 'oudens.'"

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It is a significant fact that the Fraternity press is beginning to discuss the subject of definite work for Fraternities. One magazine devotes a symposium to "The Fraternity as an Educator," and others contain communications to the same end. As far back as '83 the PALM thought this subject of sufficient importance to give it special editorial prominence. It was said then, "We are given to extolling the Fraternity idea as a mighty force for the elevation of morals and the evolution of manhood. This is well as far as it goes, but there is danger that our Chapters will rest upon these generalities and lose sight of the opportunities which lie in definite aims." The PALM is glad to have been "in advance of the age" in this important matter, and of course hails with delight the awakening which seems about to take place on the more practical side of Fraternity life.

The development of any given fraternity is necessarily conditioned by the germ thought in which it originated. In some fraternities the ruling idea was sociability; in others, intellectuality; others still, the combining of moral and social benefits. The result in products have been in keeping with the seed planted. We believe the utilitarian view, however, to be now prevailing in the fraternity world, and we think we see a general disposition on the part of the fraternities to adjust themselves to this condition. The age itself may account for this, being an age of action rather than sentiment; but we would rather think it is due to the fact that a truer and higher ideal has been evolved out of the thought and energy of fraternity experience. The questions have been forced upon fraternities, Why do we exist? What good are we doing? Do we justify our existence? This has caused candid and honest investigation. It has been discovered

that mere sociability or pure intellectuality does not give a satisfactory answer to these questions—that something more is demanded of individual and corporate life than the mere gratification of self, or pride of organization.

Realizing that “Ringed with the azure world we stand,” the desire to be co-workers in all that tends to influence farthest the highest good of man and to hasten the accomplishment of the final best, is strongly and gloriously asserting itself. Fraternities will concern themselves, therefore, more and more with questions of reform, with plans of philanthropy; they will descend to the practical phases of the real life—the needs and vices—in which they live. When the ruling vice of a college for instance evokes the exterminating wrath of a chapter—when cheating, lying, impurity, and drunkenness are condemned and disciplined at the chapter sanctum before they reach the Faculty—a new spirit will be found to be abroad in college land.

The Fraternity life of the future will assuredly develop along more definite lines of noble utility, and by this development all opposition will eventually be overcome, and the right of Greek Letter Fraternities to exist and flourish be abundantly vindicated.

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The suggestion in regard to Alpha Tau Omega at the Chicago Exposition has created much interest in the Fraternity. A letter before us urges that the matter be pushed with all enthusiasm. Nor is this interest confined to Alpha Tau Omega. In conversation with a prominent member of another Fraternity, the opinion was expressed that the idea was a capital one. We find, too, that another Fraternity in convention assembled passed resolutions looking to a similar purpose. We confess that there is more in the suggestion than we first thought. We believe it could be made of great importance to the Fraternity at large, as well as of comfort and convenience to all Alpha Taus who should attend the Exposition, to have an Alpha Tau temple placed on the Exposition grounds.

Our attention was first called to this subject by an Ohio

Alpha Tau, and as far as we know, was original with our Fraternity. We doubt not that so good a suggestion will be taken up by other Fraternities, and we shall only be too glad if we have been the pioneers in so commendable a work. There may result from this suggestion far-reaching benefit and pleasure for the whole Fraternity world. We see in it great possibilities, and we believe it is the initial point of a movement which will add one of the most unique and pleasing departments to the great exhibition.

We are sure the authorities of Alpha Tau Omega will move vigorously in the matter, and we are confident that they will have the enthusiastic and liberal co-operation of all the Alumni and Chapters.

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If we are to have our Temple at Chicago, conjointly with the Star Spangled Banner, our Alpha Tau flag must wave over it. We are thus reminded that the time has come when such a flag should be determined upon. The Fraternity flag is one of the new features of Greek life. It is not essentially Greek—indeed we believe the flag is a comparatively modern device. If we are mistaken we would like to be corrected, but we can't recall any allusion to a flag in the history of Greece or Rome. Standards they undoubtedly had, but it was not the flag of modern Empires and republics. We like the flag idea, however, and as America has adopted, if not originated, the Greek Fraternity—it does not exist elsewhere than in the United States of America—we see no great wrong in adding this insignia to the Greek paraphernalia.

It is not easy to originate a flag. It should have character, and be a production of which we can always be proud. It will require the best thought and genius of the Fraternity to give us the best result. Do not let us look upon it as an insignificant matter. It is well worthy of the united effort of the Chapters, and we would advise that every Chapter submit a plan of such a flag to the Chairman of the High Council. Let our flag be at once so suggestive and so beautiful that it will be a worthy addi-

tion to our symbolism, and but an increased inspiration to attain to the exalted aim of our noble and beloved Alpha Tau Omega.

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The very first thing the Chapters should do upon reassembling is to take steps to add to the efficiency and influence of the PALM.

Beyond doubt the PALM, as is true of every Fraternity journal, is the most powerful factor in the Fraternity life. To make the PALM what it should be it must be liberally and promptly supported by subscriptions and contributions from the archives and pens of chapters and members. We will not be behind any other magazine in press work. Upon this we are determined, and such excellency requires money and money promptly paid. But far more than press work do we want the brain and heart of the Fraternity. We have not enough communications. We want original articles upon Fraternity matters. Above all do we beg for personal reminiscences. These we shall not have until the Chapter historians do their duty more faithfully. We can have no Graduate Personals in this number because we have no accurate material. In their absence we feel the very life—that which makes the magazine live and move and have its being—is wanting. We implore the Chapters to secure the reminiscences and histories of their Alumni. Every Chapter should have the history of every member, past and present. What a PALM we could publish if we had this information. How we would never tire of writing or reading if its pages were aglow with their living faces. Do attend to this vital matter. Get up your histories, secure photographs; do any and everything that will accumulate this indispensable treasure.

Let editors send the Chapter letters regularly. Make them concise, and write but upon one side of the paper and write legibly. Adopt the same heading and ending to the letters that you see in the PALM. Do not incorporate the initiates in the body of the letter. Send them—the names in full and the class year—upon a separate sheet of paper. In sending Alumni notes

give the name in full, and the class year. Finally, let the Chapters give the strictest and most obedient attention to all communications from the Grand Officers, especially to the circular which will be issued speedily by the Chairman of the High Council.

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We are very grateful for the flattering notices received from editors of other Greek journals and Alpha Taus of the past two numbers of the PALM. These notices declare that in matter, policy, orderly arrangement and press work, Vol. XI excels all the other volumes of the PALM. We are sure that these good friends and brothers here never read, or have forgotten, the PALM of 1881-83. We will try our very best, however, to continue to merit the praises of the present and to approach more closely unto the standards of the far past.

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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OFFICE OF THE WORTHY GRAND CHIEF.

TIFFIN, Ohio, June 2, 1891.

*My Dear Brothers:*

According to an act of last Congress, each active Chapter is required to send a printed report to the Grand Officers and also to every active Chapter.

This report should state the financial condition of the Chapter, the number of members, the number of initiates made during the year, a complete roll of the active members and another of the Alumni, also anything else of interest to the Fraternity at large. I trust all the Chapters will comply with this excellent law. I shall report delinquent Chapters in the PALM.

Have you sent your subscriptions for the PALM to Brother Glazebrook yet? Remember that all Alpha Taus are under obligation to take the PALM.

Under the old Constitution three new Chapters have been established since last Congress. The Worthy Grand Chief would earnestly request all Chapters to send strong letters of greeting to these new Chapters. They are as follows:

Maine Beta Upsilon, Maine State College, Orono, Me. Address C. H. Kilbourne.

South Carolina Beta Phi, Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C. Address W. W. Bruce.

Pennsylvania Beta Chi, Haverford College, Haverford, Penn. Address Box 27.

I am requested to state that the address of Brother M. L. Horne, W. G. K. E., is Quakertown, Penn., and not Allentown, Penn.

When a member has been expelled by a Chapter, a notice of the expulsion should be sent to Brother Howard Lamar, W. G.

K. A., Jasper, Ala., as well as to myself. Whenever a Chapter has a group picture taken, it will confer a favor upon the Worthy Grand Chief by sending him one.

With our forty-six active Chapters, Alpha Tau Omega should be able to do a grand work throughout this country. I am pleased to see the great activity which characterizes many of our Chapters.

The Worthy Grand Chief had the pleasure of attending the State Convention of the Michigan Chapters, which was held at Hillsdale, Mich., May 22 and 23. These were certainly red letter days for Alpha Tau Omega. The four active Chapters (Adrian, Hillsdale, Albion and Ann Arbor) were well represented. The hospitality of our Hillsdale boys could not be surpassed. The only regret I experienced was that every Alpha Tau in the land could not enjoy this treat. The next State Convention will be held at Ann Arbor.

With the interest of Alpha Tau Omega at heart, and best wishes for the welfare of all her loyal sons, I am,

Fraternally yours,

E. J. SHIVES,

*Worthy Grand Chief.*

## CHAPTER LETTERS.

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GEORGIA BETA IOTA—SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA.

We submit with pleasure the following report of our Chapter for the last year:

*Left College.*

Horatio T. Barksdale	'92	Meriwether, Ga.
W. Henry Fluker	'92	Washington, Ga.
Frank L. Hudson	'92	LaGrange, Ga.
Wm. M. McDonald	'93	Quitman, Ga.
Fuller M. Longley	'93	Lagrange, Ga.
Frank I. McRee	'93	Valdosta, Ga.
Daniel N. Asbury	'93	Lyneville, Ga.
Dennis Thomas	'93	Eatonton, Ga.
Harry S. Jaudon	'92	Savannah, Ga.

*Returned to College.*

J. Pearce Brown	'93	Greensboro, Ga.
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*Initiated.*

Wm. A. Hansell	'92	Atlanta, Ga.
Mark R. Johnson	'92	Atlanta, Ga.
C. Beman Little	'92	Eatonton, Ga.
J. Alva McCrary	'94	Senoia, Ga.
Harvey T. Phillips	'93	Atlanta, Ga.
Raymond M. Pinson	'93	Newnan, Ga.
Wm. H. Pritchett	'93	Cartersville, Ga.
Ed. A. Werner	'94	Atlanta, Ga.
Harvey P. Wilson	City	Atlanta, Ga.

*Active Members.*

'91	Wm. H. Glenn	Atlanta, Ga.
'91	J. Hardin Jones	Atlanta, Ga.
'91	J. Stanley Moore	Thomasville, Ga.
'91	Chas. M. Pritchett	Cartersville, Ga.
'92	Emmett W. Collins	Acworth, Ga.
'92	Ed. H. Davis	Eatonton, Ga.
'92	Wm. A. Hansell Jr.	Atlanta, Ga.
'92	Marcus R. Johnson	Atlanta, Ga.

'92	C. Beman Little.....	Eatonton, Ga.
'92	James G. Rossman.....	Greensboro, Ga.
'92	J. Barry Sherard.....	Jefferson, Ga.
'92	Arthur W. Solomon.....	Savannah, Ga.
'92	Will P. Walthall.....	Palmetto, Ga.
'92	Zollicoffer Whitehurst.....	Gordon, Ga.
'93	J. Pearce Brown.....	Greensboro, Ga.
'93	Howard D. Cutter.....	Macon, Ga.
'93	H. Sidney Jones.....	Atlanta, Ga.
'93	Henry L. Long.....	Leesburg, Ga.
'93	Harvey T. Phillips.....	Atlanta, Ga.
'93	Raymond M. Pinson.....	Newnan, Ga.
'93	Wm. H. Pritchett.....	Cartersville, Ga.
'94	J. Alva McCrary.....	Senoia, Ga.
'94	Ed. A. Werner.....	Atlanta, Ga.

*Fratres in Urbe.*

Sam C. Dean.....	Boys' High School.
Harvey P. Wilson.....	Neal Loan and Banking Co.

*Fratres in Facultate.*

I. S. Hopkins, Ph. D.....	President and Professor of Physics.
Rev. Chas. Lane.....	Professor of English.

*Chapter Notes—Honors and Offices.*

- 1st Honor in Senior Class.
- 1st Honor in Middle Class,
- 1st Honor in Junior Class.

*Senior Class.*

President, Prophet, Poet and Historian.

*Middle Class.*

President, Prophet, Poet, Dude, Musician and Historian.

*Athletic Association.*

President and Captain B. B. Team.

*Y. M. C. A.*

Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

*Literary Society.*

President, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Censor, Chaplain.

*Alumnus.*

G. G. Crawford, '90, Charleston, S. C., Instructor in Technological School.

*Other Fraternities :*

Sigma Alpha Epsilon . . . . .	Founded	March 8th, 1890.		
Membership: . . . . .	'92	'93	'94	Total.

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*College Notes.*

A Preparatory Department was established in March of this year, and brought sixty new students to the school.

Prof. E. E. West, (Annapolis) has charge of this department and is adjunct in Physics.

*Course of Study.*

The course of study is very thorough in both mathematics and mechanics, which are carried as high in both theory and practice as a four years' course will allow.

The regular degree conferred in this school is that of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

In accordance with an act of the General Assembly of Georgia, the Georgia School of Technology was established in 1888. Since then it has had a very prosperous career, its attendance and curriculum being raised each succeeding term. It has now 160 students on its roll, with nine professors and four instructors. It aims to give the student a practical education, and enable him on his graduation immediately to command a position.

*Athletics.*

During the first year of the existence of the G. S. T., a base ball nine organized, which became justly famous, having played every club in and around Atlanta and coming off victorious in every game. The next year they met with only one defeat. During the past season, after many victories, they came out with only one game lost. They also have the champion junior nine of the city, it having defeated every team of its kind in the place.

Tennis is a favorite game with the students, there being several clubs and not a few fine players among them. The A. T. Os can also claim the champions in this sport.

The time which can be applied to sports is, however, very

limited, as the school duties occupy most of the time, and these are sufficiently diversified to be interesting in themselves.

*Resident Alumni. (Incomplete.)*

W. A. Haygood,.....	Ga. Alpha Theta,.....	Lawyer.
P. F. Smith,.....	Va. Delta, '69,.....	Lawyer.
P. H. Brewster,.....	Va. Delta, '71,.....	Lawyer.
J. B. Stewart,.....	Ga. Alpha Theta, '86,.....	Lawyer.
Chas. A. Healey,.....	N. C. Alpha Eta,.....	
Louis Kennan,.....	Ga. Beta Nu, '89.....	
P. L. Hutchinson, Ala.	Alpha Epsilon, '88, Ass't State Chemist.	
Frank Warren,.....	Ga. Alpha Theta,.....	Mayor's Office.
Quintard Peters.....		
John Raine,.....	Ga. Alpha Beta,.....	Insurance.
T. P. Zellars,.....	Ala. Alpha Epsilon, Traveling Salesman.	
J. H. Duncan,.....	Ga. Alpha Theta, { Agent Globe B'ding and Loan Associat'n.	

*College Yell.*

'Rah! Hoo! Ree!

'Rah! Hoo! Ree!

We are the boys of G. S. T.!  
Hurrah!!!

With the best wishes for the welfare of Alpha Tau Omega.

W. P. WALTHALL,

*Correspondent.*

LOUISIANA BETA EPSILON—TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS.

Beta Epsilon is as prosperous as ever and growing in strength all the time. We have five men pledged, and the initiation of these worthy aliens into the mysteries of Alpha Tau Omega will still further increase the influence of our Chapter in both the college and community at large.

On the 12th of last March we had our annual banquet in celebration of the founding of Beta Epsilon four years ago. Covers were laid for thirty, and after the preliminaries had been disposed of, speech-making followed, and great was the enthusiasm when the Father of the Chapter, Brother Watts, arose to address us. His gift of oratory was never employed more feelingly and effectively than upon this occasion. Brother Wood's toast was

in the form of an original poem, and after its reading the party dispersed to meet again a year hence.

Brother Watts graduated at the Law School this year, and was Salutatorian of his class. Brother Lombard, of '91, who captured so many prizes in athletic contests during his collegiate course, was the first Alpha Tau to graduate from Tulane.

W. T. MAGINNIS,  
*Correspondent.*

MICHIGAN BETA OMICRON—ALBION COLLEGE, ALBION.

In compliance with the act of our last Congress, Beta Omicron gladly presents the following report:

Our Chapter was founded in May, 1889, being the sixth Fraternity established in Albion College.

Our membership is as follows:

*Alumni.*

'87—Hugh A. Graham*	—Supt. Schools.....	Calumet, Mich.
'87—Spencer Houghton*	—Insurance.....	Detroit, Mich.
'88—Joseph C. Cook*	—Minister.....	Parkeville, Mich.
'88—Elbert O. Mather*	—Minister.....	Battle Creek Mich.
'89—Homer Folks—	{ Supt. Aid Society, Editor of Aid Society Journal }	Philadelphia, Pa
'89—Elliot R. Downing—	Prof. Mathematics and Science.	Beloit, Wis.
'89—Ira D. Travis—	Supt. Schools.....	Seymour, Wis.
'90—Ira T. Weldon—	Minister.....	Battle Creek, Mich.
'90—Will L. Holmes—	Boston Theolog.....	Boston, Mass.

*Deceased.*

'93	Leslie I. Ray.....	Ishpeming, Mich.
<i>Left College.</i>		

'92	Byron G. Doolittle.....	Hopkinton, Ia.
'94	Will R. Longstreet.....	Saginaw, Mich.

*Initiates.*

'87	Spencer Houghton.....	Detroit, Mich.
'92	Chas. H. Palmatier.....	Banfield, Mich.
'93	Chas. S. Jacobs.....	Albion, Mich.
'94	Chas. H. Fenn.....	Hyde Park, Mass.

'94	Will F. Rice.....	Los Angeles, Cal.
'94	Marshall G. Clancy.....	Albion, Mich.

*Chapter Roll.*

'91	J. Grant Walters†.....	Tiffin, Ohio.
'92	Chas. H. Palmatier.....	Banfield, Mich.
'93	Ira E. Cutler.....	Putnam, Conn.
'93	Frank E. Dodds.....	Ionia, Mich.
'93	Wilbur D. Engle.....	Petoskey, Mich.
'93	Charles S. Jacobs.....	Albion, Mich.
'93	Ralph J. Wooton.....	Hastings, Mich.
'94	Marshall G. Clancy.....	Albion, Mich.
'94	Chas. H. Fenn.....	Hyde Park, Mass.
'94	Ralph M. Newman.....	Jackson, Mich.
'94	Will F. Rice.....	Los Angeles, Cal.
'94	Warren M. Wright.....	Ishpeming, Mich.
	Special, W. H. Whitcomb.....	Flushing, Mich.

*Finances.*

Our Chapter, being the youngest in Albion, has naturally been obliged to struggle for its existence, but our men are all energetic workers and our financial condition is excellent.

\*Alumni Initiates.

†Heidelberg University.

*Notes.*

The Fraternities in Albion College are as follows:

FOUNDED.	NAME.	MEMBERS.
1876.....	Delta Tau Delta.....	16
1886.....	Sigma Chi.....	16
1889.....	Alpha Tau Omega.....	13

*Sororities.*

1883.....	Delta Gamma.....	16
1887.....	Kappa Alpha Theta.....	11
1887.....	Alpha Chi Omega.....	17

We are about completing negotiations for the best Chapter House in the city, in obtaining which we consider ourselves exceedingly fortunate.

Albion College is a co-educational school, founded in 1861.

It embraces seven departments, with a faculty of twenty-five members. The attendance for the past year ('90-'91) is five hundred and twenty-nine.

*Honors.*

Class '93—Secretary, Poet. Class '94—Treasurer, Toastmaster.

*Y. M. C. A.*

President, Corresponding Sec'y, Member State Deputation Committee.

*Athletic Association.*

President, Vice-President, Base Ball Manager.

We have the Managing Editor and next year the Editor-in-Chief of the *Pleaid*, our college journal.

We had one delegate at Richmond.

*Literary Societies.—Eclectic and Athenaeus.*

Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer.

*Erosophian.*

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

We have the only recognized Male Quartet in college, and also four members of the College Glee Club,

With best wishes for all brothers in the bonds of Alpha Tau Omega.

W. F. RICE,

*Correspondent.*

NORTH CAROLINA CHI—TRINITY COLLEGE.

N. C. Chi has just completed the first year of her existence since re-establishment, and she can look back with pleasure upon the year's work and be justly proud thereof.

Re-established in May, 1890, by N. C. Alpha Delta, our Chapter began the year '90-'91 with only three brothers, two of our charter members having left college; now we number ten (10), who stand at the head of the school, socially as well as intellectually. Though strictly *sub rosa*, we have enjoyed several banquets which were a delightful feature of our fraternal life.

*Chapter Roll—Present in September, '90.*

Robert Lee Durham.....	'91.....	Greensborough, N. C.
Will. H. Jones.....	'91.....	Raleigh, N. C.
B. B. Nicholson.....	'91.....	Washington, N. C.

*Left College.*

R. H. Mitchell.....	'90.....	Middleburg, N. C.
S. J. Durham.....	'91.....	Greensborough, N. C.

*Initiated—In December.*

Alvis D. Barnes.....	'93.....	Reidsville, N. C.
Chas. T. Harris.....	'92.....	Wilson, N. C.
J. W. Jones.....	'92.....	Tarboro, N. C.
Wm. T. McDowell.....	'91.....	Tarboro, N. C.

*In March.*

W. W. Flowers.....	'94.....	Taylorsville, N. C.
A. L. Ormand.....	'92.....	Ormandsville, N. C.

*In May.*

Forrest Taylor.....	'94.....	Whitaker's, N. C.
Chapter Notes—Senior Class. 1st Honor—Prophet—Secretary.		

Representatives in Freshman, Sophomore and Junior Oratoricals; and at graduating exercises, Brother Durham was a prominent contestant for the Wiley Gray medal for oratory.

*Athletics—Foot Ball.*

Captain, Manager, Right and Left Ends, Full Back.

*Base Ball.*

Captain, Pitcher, 1st, 2d and 3d Basemen, Left and Right Fielders.

*Lawn Tennis—Champion of College.*

Our graduates are three this year. Brother Durham has been offered a fellowship in the Law Department of Trinity, and he will probably be with us next year. Brother McDowell, the acknowledged mathematician of the College, will pursue a course in civil engineering; and Brother Jones sails in August for Berlin, Germany, where he will study Music and the Modern Languages.

*Alumni Notes.*

Brother Mitchell has taken his degree in Chemistry at Vanderbilt this year. To get this degree requires two years' hard work usually, but he has succeeded in doing what no one has ever done before: he has taken the degree in one year.

Brother S. J. Durham has been assisting his father in the financial affairs of Greensboro Female College, and will return next Fall to Trinity.

The College will be moved to Durham, N. C., in September, and a complete reorganization has been planned and will be carried out. It will be organized upon the University plan, and application for a charter as a University will be made at the next Legislature. In the election of the Law Faculty, Judge Avery, of the Supreme Court, was elected Dean, and Brother B. B. Nicholson, who obtained his law license last February, was elected Instructor. He is a talented young man, has been justly honored, and *A. T. Ω.* is proud of him. He is to deliver the alumni address at the next Commencement of Trinity.

We have good material and an open field with no opposition; and, in spite of being *sub rosa*, *A. T. Ω.* will do her very best next year, and we expect to have one of the best Chapters in the whole Fraternity.

WILLIAM H. JONES,  
*Correspondent.*

## NEW YORK BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA.

We submit the following report:

*Graduated 1890.*

D. Upton, M. E., Elmira, N. Y.; J. D. White, B. L., Nyack, N. Y.; H. A. Sawyer, E. E., Mass.; F. E. Brooks, B. L., New Berlin, N. Y.; S. B. Fortenbaugh, E. E., Cleveland, O.; W. M. Irish, B. S., Olean, N. Y.; L. L. Bentley, M. E., Baltimore, Md.; S. D. Hulett, E. E., Sodus, N. Y.; C. J. Miller, B. S., Wright's Corners, N. Y.; K. F. Rubert, A. B., Ithaca, N. Y.; B. M. Harris, M. E., Chicago, Ill.; L. C. Ehle, B. L., Chicago, Ill.

*Left College.*

J. M. Chinn, '92, L. S., Harrodsburgh, Ky.; C. Johns, '90, Salamanca, N. Y.; L. L. Robinson, '94, Los Angeles, Cal.; J. W. Mac Nider, '95, Brooklyn, N. Y.; J. A. Colwell, '93, Kit-tanning, Penn.; R. B. Aguilar, '94, Harvard; H. Clark, '92, (A. P.) Montgomery City, Mo.; J. M. Joy, '91, Boston, Mass.; F. A. Titus, '91, Shortsville, N. Y.; N. Rowe, '91, Oswego, N. Y.; J. W. Day. (in urbe), Hingham, Mass.

*Initiated.*

S. W. Young, B. S., in facultate; A. G. Laird, A. B., Ph. D., fellow; W. G. Atwood, '92; J. D. Mickle, '93; T. H. Nicholls, '94; L. L. Robinson, '94; C. E. Rogers, '94; J. C. L. Fish, '92; R. B. Aguilar, '94; L. R. Bradley, '94; W. H. Dole, '94; T. B. Bryson, '94; J. W. Mac Nider, '95.

*Active Members.*

K. F. Rubert, '90, R. G.; E. Yawger, '91; W. G. Atwood, '92; W. S. Dole, '92; B. S. Cushman, '93; H. M. Bush, '93; F. S. Truman, '93; J. D. Mickle, '93; L. R. Bradley, '94; J. del C. Munoz, '91; J. C. L. Fish, '92; C. J. Barr, '93; W. R. Simpson, '93; G. R. Harvey, '93; S. C. Mac Nider, '93; T. H. Nicholls, '94; W. A. Dole, '94; T. B. Bryson, '94; C. E. Rogers, '94.

*In Urbe.*

C. C. Platt.

*In Facultate.*

T. Henckels, B. S. J. E. Creighton, A. B. S. W. Young, B. S.

*Fellow.*

A. G. Laird, A. B., Ph. D.

*Chapter Notes.*

We have secured a five years' lease of a large brick house, lighted with gas and heated by steam, at a yearly rental of \$1,000.

The Chapter is incorporated under the laws of New York as the Cornell Alpha Tau Association.

Brother Laird has been appointed instructor in Greek at Leland Stanford University.

NAME	FOUNDED	FOUNDED AT CORNELL	NO. OF CHAPTER	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	ACTIVE CHAP. MEM.	CHAPTER HOUSE	REMARKS.
Zeta Psi -	1846	1868	41	3590	14	Rent	Preparing to build
Chi Phi -	1854	1868	22	3147	17	Own	
Kappa Alpha -	1825	1868	4	997	22	Own	
Phi Kappa Psi	1852	1869	35	5302	24	Rent	Long Lease
Alpha Delta Phi	1832	1870	19	6236	28	Own	
Chi Psi -	1841	1869	16	2930	24	Own	
Delta Upsilon -	1834	1869	26	4871	24	Rent	Preparing to build
Delta Kappa Epsilon	1844	1870	34	10353	30	"	" "
Theta Delta Chi	1846	1870	19	—	17	"	
Phi Delta Theta -	1848	1872	66	6803	21	"	Long Lease
Beta Theta Pi -	1839	1874	60	6995	26	"	
Psi Upsilon -	1833	1876	18	7124	25	Own	
Alpha Tau Omega	1869	1887	46	2061	19	Rent	Leased for five years
Phi Gamma Delta	1841	1888	41	4244	29	"	" "
Phi Delta Phi -	1869	1888	17	1577	31	"	Law School
Phi Sigma Kappa	1873	1890	4	149	15	Rooms	
Alpha Zeta -	1890	1890	1	—	8	"	Foreigner's Frat.
Delta Tau Delta	1860	1890	39	4044	20	Rent	
Sigma Chi -	1858	1891	41	4101	10	Rooms	
Sigma Phi -	1827	1891	8	1820	11	"	Preparing to build
Delta Chi -	—	1891	—	—	23	"	Law School
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	—	1891	35	2342	5	"	

## SORORITIES

Kappa Alpha Theta	1870	1881	19	1180	19	—
Kappa Kappa Gamma	1870	1883	24	1523	16	—
Delta Gamma -	1874	1885	13	682	15	—
Alpha Phi -	1872	1889	6	—	19	—

## University Notes.

There are 1,390 students at Cornell, 147 of whom are women.

The new library building, presented and endowed by Henry W. Sage of Ithaca, is almost ready for use. The whole gift amounts to \$560,000.

The Susan E. Linn Sage School of Philosophy, with an endowment of \$260,000, the gift of Henry W. Sage, will open in the fall.

The plans are ready for an \$80,000 Law School Building.

Ground has been broken for a \$21,000 annex to the gymnasium.

The following papers are issued by the students of Cornell: *Cornellian* (annual), *Magazine* (monthly), *Crank* (technical monthly), *Era* (weekly), and *Sun* (daily).

The value of Cornell's share of the land grant of 1862 is \$5,000,000.

*Alumni and Early Members.*

F. G. Gilman, '83, Orchard Lake, Mich.; F. G. Schlosser, '89, St. Louis, Mo.; E. J. Fort, '90, Washington.; O. W. Brant, '91; G. F. Pope, '90, Waltham, Mass.

HAROLD M. BUSH,  
*Correspondent.*

OHIO ALPHA NU—MT. UNION COLLEGE, ALLIANCE.

We hereby submit the following as the report of Ohio Alpha Nu for the college year closing with the present term:

*Alumni.*

The following is the list of brothers graduated in '90:

Osborn A. Curry, A. B., Minister, Akron, Ohio; George Lincoln King, Ph.B., Teacher, Pittsburgh Academy; Charles Miller Lemmon, A. B., M. U. Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan; John Alden Lichty, Ph.B., U. P. Medical School, Philadelphia; Bertram Lind Paine, A. B., Indiana Lumber Co., Nashville, Tennessee; Burton Clay Peck, Ph.B., Minister, Arcadia, Neb.

*Initiates.*

Our initiates for the present year are as follows: (Owing to our large chapter roll, we have aimed to make our initiates few and select.)

John Brady Bowman, '92, Robertsville; Ernest James McCall, '94, Nelson; William J. Monks, '92, Cleveland.

*Chapter Roll.*

Our Chapter Roll for the current year is as follows:

John Pliny Allison, '94,\* Welcome; Charles Allen Betts, '92,

Edinburg; John Brady Bowman, '92, Robertsville; Charles Lewis Burrell, '92,\* Canal Dover; George Francis Clement, '93, Homeworth; Herbert Clyde Davis, '93, Alliance; F. B. Douglass, '93, Inverness; Emmet Franklin Eldredge, '92, Alliance; Walter Millard Ellett, '93, Alliance; William Ambrose Goss, '93, Edinburg; John Vizard Haskell, '93, Perry; Denver Corrie Hughes, '93, Nashville; Benjamin B. Kimmel, '93, Yale; George M. Korns, '94, Millersburg; Milton Jay Lichty, '94, Myersdale, Pa.; Van Newhall Marsh, '94, Alliance; Ernest James McCall,\* '94, Nelson; Robert W. Miller, '94, North Benton; William Jay Monks, '92, Cleveland; Clyde C. Newkirk,\* '93, Bentleysville, Pa.; William Joseph Oby, '92, Canton; William J. Pentz, '93, Alliance; Elmer Ellsworth Patterson, '92, New Lisbon; William Sherman Robinson, '91, Edinburg; Oscar O. Thomas, '94, East Carmel; William Monks Webb, '92, Tallmadge.

\*Not in college at present.

#### *Fratres in Urbe.*

Our resident brothers are as follows:

Harlie W. Brush, Manager *Daily Review*; John W. Craine, Attorney; John C. Diehl, Clerk P. R. R. Co.; Llewellyn O. Eldredge, Principal State Street High School; Clinton Darrow Goss, Teacher State Street High School; John K. Jenkins, Real Estate.

#### *Obituary.*

For the third time in the history of our Chapter we have been called upon to mourn the death of a brother. On the 24th day of April of the present year, Brother Edgar R. Tolerton died of la grippe at his home in this city. Brother Tolerton left college in the Spring of '89, and since that time has been engaged in business. Although he has not been an active member of the chapter since that time, he has taken a great interest in fraternity work, and attended our meetings quite frequently. Brother Tolerton was always a most loyal member of our noble brotherhood, and was respected by all who knew him. It is certainly a severe blow to our Chapter to be deprived of a brother who was

so ready to contribute in every way to the success of the fraternity; but with the example of his energy before us, we will acquire a new zeal in the cause of the order.

*Honors.*

During the last year, Alpha Nu has won her share of laurels, and takes the lead at Mt. Union in this respect. The following are our honors for '90-'91:

L. L. S. Oration and '91 Valedictory, Brother Robinson; College Base Ball Team, Brothers Betts, C. A. Goss, Robinson and Webb; President of Athletic Association, Brother Webb; President of Dynamo Association, Brother Bowman; Editorial Staff of Dynamo, Brothers E. F. Eldredge, Bowman, Lichty; Treasurer and Business Manager of Dynamo, Brother Oby; College Delegate to State Oratorical Association and President of State Association, Brother Oby; Brother J. S. Miller was elected Editor-in-Chief of Dynamo, but was unable to be in school as was expected.

*Visitors.*

During the past year we have received visits from Brothers Juilliard and Stahl, of Beta Mu; also Brother Curry, of Akron; Miller, of Shreve; King, of Pittsburg; J. A. Lichty, of Clifton Springs, N. Y.; Exline, of Pierce; and Paine, of Nashville, Tenn.

*Other Societies.*

The fraternities at Mt. Union are as follows:

	'91	'92	'93	'94	Prep.	Total.
Alpha Tau Omega.....	1	9	11	5	0	26
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	5	2	4	7	1	19
Delta Gamma.....	0	0	3	3	0	6
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Total.....	6	11	18	15	1	51

*The College.*

Mt. Union College is a co-educational school, and was founded by Dr. Orville Nelson Hartshorn, in 1846. The Faculty numbers sixteen instructors. The present endowment is \$100,000. The College Departments are as follows: Literary, Preparatory, Normal, Fine Art, Commercial, Post-Graduate, Military, Biblical and Musical.

The College buildings are five in number. During the year the Morgan Gymnasium was erected. It is, with one possible exception, the finest college gymnasium in the State.

The following are the additions to the Faculty during the past year: Miss Adella C. Phelps, of the Genesee Art School, Director of the Art Department; Miss Mary Carr, Ph. B., '88, Professor of Modern Languages; Lieut. Evan M. Johnson, Jr., of the 10th Infantry, Director of the Military Department.

*Notes.*

In the fall of '90 we moved into our new Chapter Hall on Main Street, opposite the public square. The advantage of the change is felt by all.

Bros. Robinson and Oby were at Richmond, Bro. Robinson as our delegate. He reported the prospects of A. T. O. as exceedingly bright.

Although not believing in Pan-Hellenism in its generally accepted sense, Alpha Nu has been, during the year, on terms of the greatest amity with her brother Greeks. A Pan-Hellenic banquet was held during the winter term and the greatest of harmony prevailed.

In conclusion, we would say as far as Alpha Nu is concerned, we see no shadows on our path. We hope that the prospects of our sister chapters are as bright as ours. Let us all strive to so direct our energies that finally we may see the banner of Alpha Tau Omega waving high above them all.

W. M. WEBB,

*Correspondent.*

OHIO BETA MU—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY, WOOSTER.

We submit the following report:

*Graduated.*

Virgil Rider, A.B., '90, student at Harvard University; Samuel Reason Shirley, A.B., '90, student at McCormick Theological Seminary.

*Left College.*

Jesse Irwin Stahl, A.B., '94, teacher, Jewett, Ohio.

*Initiated.*

H. B. Work, '93; Harry E. King, '94.

*List of Active Members.*

'91, Harry F. Allison, A.B., Hopedale, Ohio; '92, Charles Clement McMichael, A.B., Keene, Ohio; '92, Frank Crable Colvin, A.B., Freeport, Ohio; '92, Walter S. Lobengier, Ph.B., Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; '93, Ira William Stahl, A.B., Jewett, Ohio; '93, H. B. Work, A.B., Miller's Station, Ohio; '93, Alfred Louis Juilliard, A.B., Louisville, Ohio; '93, Lester Edwin Wolfe, A.B., West Lafayette, Ohio; '94, Harry E. King, Ph.B., Newton Falls, Ohio.

*Pledged.*

Fred. Zimmerman, Wooster, Ohio.

*Resident Alumni.*

John C. Boyd, Beta Mu, '79, Professor in University; J. W. Brown, Alpha Nu, Clerk; Albert F. Young, Beta Mu.

*Chapter Notes.*

David Hervey Morgan, '91, now of Lafayette College, has been expelled for disloyalty.

Charles C. McMichael, who graduates in Vocal Culture this year, represents us on the University Quartette. Was a strong contestant in the preliminary oratorical contest, and has been employed to lead evangelical singing in Texas this coming vacation.

H. B. Work has been elected a member of "The Wooster Voice" Board of Control. Also Treasurer of the Y. M. C. A. for the coming year.

A. L. Juilliard and Work represented us on the 'Varsity foot ball team, which never met with defeat.

The annual Pan-Hellenic banquet was held March 20th. Bro. H. F. Allison, who is now President of Athenaeum Literary Society, responded nobly to the theme, "Our Alumni."

F. C. Colvin has been elected W. G. M. of the Ohio Chapter Association.

*Alumni and Visiting Brothers.*

We have received pleasant visits during the year from Geo.

M. Hasock, of Michigan University; Prof. J. S. Miller, Shreve, Ohio; L. S. Bryant and A. S. Linn, of Beta Eta; W. J. Oby, Walter Ellett, E. Eldridge and R. W. Miller, of "Alpha Nu;" and C. B. Kenty (pledged,) New Lisbon, O.

*Other Fraternities.*

Founded.	Frats.	'91	'92	'93	'94	Prep.	Sp'l.	Total.
'71	Phi Kappa Psi.....	2	2	4	4	I	I	14
'72	Beta Theta Phi.....	1	4	3	3	I	0	12
'72	Phi Delta Theta.....	2	2	1	3	2	0	10
'73	Sigma Chi.....	3	1	4	2	0	0	10
'80	Delta Tau Delta.....	4	3	2	6	I	I	17
'82	Phi Gamma Delta.....	4	0	5	3	I	3	16
'88	Alpha Tau Omega.....	I	3	3	2	I	0	10
Total.....		17	15	22	22	8	5	89

*Sororities.*

'72	Kappa Alpha Theta.....	4	2	2	'7	I	I	17
'76	Kappa Kappa Gamma...	2	4	4	6	I	3	20
Total Frat.	Women.....	6	6	6	13	2	4	37
Total Frat.	Men and Women	23	21	58	35	10	9	126
Non-Frat.	Men.....	20	71	35	46	115	14	247
Non-Frat.	Women.....	7	9	5	9	35	12	77
Grand Total.....		50	47	68	90	160	35	450

*The University.*

The College was willed \$10,000 by Selah Chamberlain, of Cleveland, who died recently. Two wings will be built to the main building this summer, which will greatly increase our room.

Rev. James Black, D.D., LL.D., Prof. of Greek Language and Literature, died Dec. 23d, 1890.

Dr. Bennett has given up his classes on account of ill health.

A fine bathing department has been added to the gymnasium.

The Military Department was discontinued at the beginning of the college year.

The following additions and changes were made in the faculty at the beginning of the year: Dr. H. H. Haas, of Virginia, succeeded the late Karl Merz as Musical Director; Miss Armstrong, of Boston, is at the head of the Vocal Department, and

Prot. Leo Oehmler, of Pittsburg, teaches the violin; Prof. H. T. Hildrith, (Harvard) is adjunct Professor of Greek; Prof. Price, (Cornell, '89) is Principal of Preparatory Department; Rev. E. W. Work, (Wooster, '84) fills the chair of Apologetics.

*The General Fraternity.*

We feel that a noble future is open to our fraternity. The officers, active members and alumni, should work with that unity of purpose which is symbolized by our badge. We should by all means have more chapter houses. The PALM, which we believe with all reverence was brought more vividly before the fraternity world by Brother Daniels than, probably, by any other brother, should now be second to none as a fraternity journal. We urge that it be published regularly, and that each number contain, at least, a cut of one of those many brothers who hold places of honor. Would not this be an inspiration to us young members?

*The Alumni of Beta Mu.*

Prof. M. S. Walker, Mt. Morris College, Ill; Prof. Chas. W. Cookson, Supt. Schools, New Lexington, Ohio; Jesse I. Stahl, teacher at Jewett, Ohio; Albert F. Young, druggist, Chicago, Ill.

FRANK C. COLVIN,

*Correspondent.*

PENN. ALPHA UPSILON—PENN. COLLEGE, GETTYSBURG.

Alpha Upsilon Chapter has enjoyed great prosperity the past year. We have initiated four brothers, Hay, Cannon, Hoover Sr. and Hoover Jr., all of '95.

We have now fifteen active members, Brothers Axe, '91, Bikle, Brown, and Jones, '92, Ammon, Bortner, Vastine and Zarr, '93, Koller, Nicklas and Stadtleman '94, Cannon, Hay, Hoover Sr. and Hoover Jr., '95.

The Chapter found herself compelled to expel A. O. Mullen, '91, for gross disloyalty.

Our necessary expenses have been \$132.06, and our receipts from term taxes, \$137.15.

Our hall, which consists of a large inner and a small outer

room, in a glass-front building, the handsomest in the town, is centrally located, and tastefully furnished in antique oak. Our furniture is almost new and is valued at \$300.

Alpha Upsilon has now 34 Alumni, who, though they have been out in the world but a few years, have already shown themselves fitted for the positions they occupy.

Our active members hold high positions in the respective classes and athletics. We have in our midst, the gymnast of college; the president of '94; the managers of the base ball and foot ball teams of '93 and '94; the right guard of college team, and our brothers have also held prominent offices in the literary societies during the year.

We have found it necessary to build a chapter house in the near future in order to compete with the other fraternities, who occupy houses of their own. A committee was appointed to write to the Alumni for subscriptions, and thus far success has crowned their efforts, so that at no distant day, Alpha Upsilon hopes to have a house worthy of them.

Our past has been good, but our future shall be better and Alpha Tau Omega stands and shall stand at the head of the fraternities at Pennsylvania College.

MORRIS T. BROWN.

*Correspondent.*

PENNSYLVANIA BETA CHI—HAVEFORD COLLEGE, HAVEFORD.

Beta Chi, the latest addition to the roll of Chapters, sends greetings to its elder sisters. The Chapter was established at Ardmore, Pa., on May 8th, by Brothers M. T. Brown and H. R. Stadelman, of Alpha Upsilon, and Brothers McCain and Spangler, of Tau, at which time four men were admitted. One man has since been added, making a total roll of five. The Chapter is now in good working trim and ready to go ahead. We have no Chapter-room as yet, but are taking steps to get one, and will have it before long. Our financial condition is good, and the outlook for the future is bright. We are all heartily interested in the work, and while our growth may be a little

slow at first, it will be from deliberation and not from inactivity. Our faculty, though a large proportion are fraternity men, nominally disapprove of them. This feeling we expect soon to dispel, not by opposition, but by the high standard we intend to maintain. We have already representative men, and have practically an open field before us. It is our earnest hope that we may fulfill the duties intrusted to us with credit to ourselves and with honor to our Fraternity.

“M.”

*Correspondent.*

PENN. ALPHA IOTA—MUHLENBURG COLLEGE, ALLENTOWN.

During the past year, from the first of September to the first of June, Alpha Iota has enjoyed unusual prosperity. Eight new brothers have been added to the list of loyal Taus: Brothers Richards, '92; Mosser '93, and Gross, '94, in September; and Rick, '93, Yetter '93, and Bieber, '91, in January; and Heyl and Erdman, '94, in May. At the initiation of the brothers, which occurred at four different times, banquets were given on each occasion.

While the Chapter is now the strongest at our college, yet its financial condition is of such a nature, that at present it is only able to meet its current expenses, which are heavy for us since our number is so small.

Fifteen active members are on the roll. They are: Brothers Cooper and Bieber, '91; Bernheim, Ulrich, Wise, Butz and Richards, '92; Lutz, Sieger, Mosser, Rick and Yetter, '93; Gross, Heyl and Erdman, '94.

Our expenses since September have been \$201.69, and our receipts \$203.67. Special taxes have been occasionally levied, but as the Chapter seems averse to taxation, except when absolutely necessary, such collections have been few and infrequent.

Our hall, which consists of but one room in the post office building, one of the handsomest sites in town, is large and roomy. It was almost entirely refurnished by the members' personal subscriptions during the past summer, with elegant curtains, rugs, pictures for walls and easel, chandeliers, etc.

Our lady friends have been exceedingly kind to us, and now our tables are provided with neat and appropriate coverings, and all the pictures are adorned with scarfs or other fancy work, the result of their skilful hands.

The property in the hall which belongs to the Chapter is estimated at \$225.67.

Of the class of '90, which graduated last June, Brothers Kurtz, Fegely and Wermer received honors; Brother Kurtz taking first honor. This year Brother Bieber takes first honor, according to the results as already announced.

Our outlook for the future is bright, as next year we expect to do a little more than meet our actual expenses.

O. F. BERNHEIM,  
*Correspondent.*

SOUTH CAROLINA ALPHA CHI—CITADEL, CHARLESTON.

With this letter closes the career of S. C. Alpha Chi, and as in 1885, we bade farewell, so again we take leave of our brothers.

Returning last October, though only four in number, yet determined, we hoped against hope; for, as soon as we settled we realized that nothing could be done. The matriculation promise effectually barred us from initiating any freshmen. Here is the extract from same: "I further promise on my honor that I will not, while a cadet, become a member of any secret society or organization existing in or outside of the academy, and I will not attend any meeting or affiliate in any way with such an organization." Here is an extract from the regulations about fraternities: "Secret societies or organizations are expressly prohibited, and affiliation with such, or attending a meeting thereof, will subject a cadet to expulsion."

At a meeting held January 18th, at our hall, we resolved to surrender our charter; this was done, you may rest assured, only upon careful consideration, and upon the belief that it was best for the fraternity and for ourselves.

Our men in college this year consisted of Hugh W. Fraser, 1st class, '91; W. Z. McGhee, 2d class, '92; D. J. Lucas, 3d

class, '93; A. H. Boykin, 3d class, '93; and one frater in urbe, Brother Arthur Pinckney.

We have received the report of the convention from Brother Fred. Tupper, who represented us by proxy; and the fraternity is to be congratulated on its growth. We favor the transfer of the PALM to its present management.

This is the last time this pleasant duty of writing a letter from Alpha Chi shall fall upon any one of us. We bid farewell with the best wishes to all the chapters and brothers, resolving that our interest in our fraternity's welfare will always be kept up; and we stand ready and willing to help her in her march to fame.

With kindest greetings to our new chapters and the fraternity at large.

HUGH W. FRASER,

*Correspondent.*

SOUTH CAROLINA ALPHA PHI—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
COLUMBIA.

The Congress of 1890 of Alpha Tau Omega is a thing of the past, and we can look back on it, from our respective chapters, to see the results which are to follow.

Our brothers have met in council and been advised and instructed by the counsel of the older and more experienced members of our Fraternity. Each has gone back to his Chapter with, it is hoped, new zeal and enthusiasm for work in behalf of his individual Chapter, and with new ideas for those of us who were not so fortunate as to be present. From what we can learn it seems that the Congress was in every way a success, with perhaps, one exception, viz.—that the members were rather slow in arriving, and the session was rather too short. Now this, we presume, is to be accounted for by the time of meeting. Christmas is, of all times of the year, the one in which most persons wish to be at home. The holidays are too short for both home festivities and a trip to Congress, in which the amount of time and work should not be stinted. Would it not be better to make the time for our annual congress some time in the summer? This is a time when all students are at liberty, and when most

business men can most conveniently leave their business. If we could meet at some popular resort and spend some time together in a social, as well as conventional manner, and not restrict ourselves to a few days, would it not be better? Most persons take a trip for recreation in summer, and in this way might not we get a much larger attendance and get much better acquainted with each other? I simply throw this out as a hint; would like to hear from the other Chapters upon it. Our Intermediate Examinations have just closed. All of our brothers hold very creditable positions in the honor roll published after the examination.

The Greeks, composing the nine Fraternities here, have decided to give a Pan-Hellenic banquet and german in June. Brother J. M. Dick is one of the Executive Committee appointed to make arrangements.

Our Chapter will send on PALM dues in a few days. Wishing much success to PALM and all Alpha Taus.

D. G. COIT, *Correspondent.*

TENNESSEE LAMBDA—CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON.

Regretting very much the Chapter's inability to have a representative at the last Congress, and for fear that you might draw the erroneous conclusion, that old Lambda has become "lukewarm," I shall pen an historical letter concerning the Chapter, and show, although we have undergone many reverses, still we are in a very flourishing condition now.

Tenn. Lambda of *A. T. Ω.* was organized January 17, 1868, by Brothers Thomas T. Eaton, of Va. B.; T. A. Burris, of Tenn. I.; W. A. Wilkeson, of Tenn. I.; Samuel T. Jameson, of Tenn. I.; E. L. Turner, of Tenn. I. Reorganized January 1889, by Brothers W. W. Fan, of Kentucky Mu; Zack. Talliver, Tennessee Lambda. The year 1868, five men were initiated; in '69, eight; '70, one; '71, six; '72, four; '89, sixteen; '90, eleven; '91, two; affiliated, one. Number of men on Chapter roll since organization, seventy-five.

We hold our meetings in a hall in the heart of the city, and it is tastefully and neatly furnished. Much interest is now being

evinced in our meetings, which consist of a literary feature, besides the regular routine of business. Our meetings are held on Friday nights. We at present have twelve members on our roll. Amongst the names of our Alumni I note the following names of the brothers who have entered actual life, and by their untiring efforts and integrity have won a name for themselves and old Lambda, which will last for many ages: Brothers Joseph H. Acklen, an ex-member of Congress from Louisiana; Andrew Price, present member of Congress, and a successor of Brother Acklen; Brother Taylor is also a member of Congress; the Hon. Frank P. Bend, one of the leading lights in the politics of this State; also have Brother E. R. Williams, Professor in the University at Georgetown, Texas; besides many lesser lights in all the avenues of life; some who are state senators and legislators. In the year 1890, our Chapter was reduced to only one member, your humble scribe and Brother Talliver, a resident member, to whose efforts and works, Lambda owes her existence. We have held pace with the other fraternities, and have always been regarded as very formidable rivals. We welcome, with pleasure, the PALM, attired in its old and familiar garb; and, although, I am in sympathy with Brother Daniel's progressive Pan-Hellenic move, still I think it proper that the journal be devoted strictly to the interests of the *A. T. Ω.* Fraternity. Don't you think it about the period in the history of the fraternity that we ought to pause, and reflect, before granting charters to any but large universities? Our brother from Alpha Mu voiced our sentiments in toto, relative to chapter house fund; that is, we approve of any place which would enable those deserving chapter houses to obtain them, but not to tax those not desiring them.

Please insert these names in the next issue of the PALM: Bro. John C. Barbee, editor of Lambda Chi; Bro. Zach. Talliver, correspondent, P. O. Box No. 238, as Brother Baker has been out of college for two years, and I will leave in a few weeks, and of course letters addressed to us *never* reach the Chapter.

SAMUEL C. ELDRIDGE,  
*Correspondent.*

## TENNESSEE OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEWANEE.

As the University vacation extends from about the middle of December to the middle of March, this writing finds our Chapter scattered. Some few are still here on the mountain; some are enjoying "rest for a season" at their family hearths; and others, sad to relate, will not be numbered on our roll for the coming term. From a membership of thirty-three during the past year, we will miss twelve faces in March. This will make a great gap in our ranks, but we hope to repair it in a measure by the addition of new initiates and also by the return of Brother Morton Morris. A mere mention of the names of those who will be absent from us at our next reunion, will give others some appreciation of our loss, since among that number are names already known to our general fraternity annals. They are: Brothers J.C. Morris, B.Lt.; J. Lovell, B.A.; T. M. DuBose, B.S., M.D.; G. Quintard, J. Nelson, T. Berry, J. Elliott, A. Wilde, A. McNeal, W. Robertson, I. Ball, and G. Hamman. This brings our chapter roll down to twelve in the student body, the other nine being either members of the Faculty or otherwise occupied on mountain. Brother Morris is studying law privately in Louisville; Brother Lovell is studying medicine together with Brother Elliott, J.B., in New Orleans; Brother DuBose is practicing his profession in North Carolina; Brother Quintard will soon go to New York to pursue his profession of architecture; Brother Nelson is at present in Boston, and the rest are variously occupied at home. In December we had a short visit from Brother Ed. Quintard, who lives in Mexico, but spent the winter in Beaufort, S. C., with the Bishop's family and his own. Brother Cleveland, W. has just returned to the mountain to pursue a course of study preparatory to receiving his gown in March.

Much good hard work is being done by the brothers generally in a literary way, the fruits of which we hope to realize in August, by seeing seven of them take the M. A. degree: Brothers Morris, J., DuBose, H., McKellar, Ball, Lovell, Elliott, J. B., and Shield. Besides this, Brother Nelson, J. M., will re-

ceive B. S. and C. E., and Brother Nelson, E. B., the B. A. Other honors will, no doubt, be added to these to assist in making us gloriously prominent at commencement.

Brother Gailor, M.A., S.T.D., has been traveling in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and other States, during the winter, in the interest of the university. Brother McKellar, as delegate, will represent the university in Ashville, N. C., during the coming week, where, it is proposed, at the instance of this university, to establish an Inter-State Oratorical Association between the most prominent Southern universities.

Our chapter house will be beautified in a short while, by some new furniture to be given by Brother Latham, of Houston, Texas. This will be a great accession to an already beautified house—a gem of a hall, in which we take pardonable, if excessive, pride.

Brother Nauts, M.A., has given a full and delightful account of Congress to all the brothers here, and has generously written it to many of the absent ones; all of whom join together in unanimous gratification of the great good accomplished, and of the brotherly harmony and fellow feeling that pervades our general ranks. The first meeting of a body of men, already joined together in fraternal bonds, must certainly be a happy, soul-stirring scene. Unfaithfulness to such a cause shows constitutional weakness, unmanliness, criminality, and receives, as it deserves, the righteous indignation and indelible brand of Tennessee Omega. In fraternal, but animated rivalry, for first place in our roll of honor, a place won only by the most keen, sacred and conscientious discharge of every duty, and the furtherance of every interest of our most noble order—in such spirit let each individual chapter work with full might and main, so that shortly there will be no second place; since each has approached so nearly its perfection that there can be found no difference in excellence between any, but all shall stand with equal claim to merit and honor upon that broad platform of brotherly love and affection, in the full realization of the aims and principles of Alpha Tau Omega, and the fervent prayer of Tennessee Omega.

F. H. B. SHIELDS, *Correspondent.*

TENNESSEE ALPHA TAU—S. P. UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE.

Since our last letter our Chapter has been called upon to sustain a severe loss, occasioned by the withdrawal from college of one of our much esteemed members, Brother T. J. Steele. Brother Steele was taken with a severe cold during the holidays, and on that account was not able to return to the university. If he could have remained with us, he, doubtless, would have plucked fresh laurels for *A. T. Ω.* at commencement, as he stood an enviable chance for two of the scholarship medals.

We have, at present, five members; all active and enthusiastic men. The initiates are: Robert Lusk, Nashville, Tenn., class of '92; W. R. Potter, Tullahoma, Tenn., class of '92. Brother W. J. Caldwell has been elected correspondent in place of W. L. Caldwell, who did not return this term. W. R. Potter has been chosen PALM editor, in place of Brother T. J. Steele. This Chapter hails with delight the intended efforts of the new management of the PALM, to place it in the front ranks as a fraternity journal. And we intend to do all we can to assist the PALM in the aforesaid enterprise. We have already begun to solicit our Alumni in regard to securing subscriptions, and think we shall have no difficulty in obtaining at least twenty names.

We have a cosy and attractive room in which to meet, and hope we shall soon have the *coat of arms* to adorn our walls.

W. J. CALDWELL,  
*Correspondent.*

VIRGINIA EPSILON—ROANOKE COLLEGE, SALEM.

We have been adding a man now and then whenever we felt sure that we saw one with the right material in him, until it is quite a good size crowd that gathers in our hall every Friday night; and a jolly crowd it is. Worthy Master Smith keeps strict parliamentary order, however, until all business is transacted, after which, things are more informal, and various questions concerning the interest of individual members are freely discussed, everyone speaking out, and saying what he thinks.

The men who have learned the joys of membership in *A. T. Ω.*

since our last letter are: W. J. Moon, of Salem, Va.; J. M. Morgan, of Madison, Ga.; S. R. Martin, of Memphis, Tenn.; and Emilio R. Garza, of Tampiko, Mexico. The last named, when initiated, had not fully mastered the English language, and part of the ceremonies were gone over in Spanish, with the assistance of Brother "Mex" (Cicero), who is now equally versed in English and Spanish. This was rather of a novelty in the way of initiation, but it was none the less effective, as it has made a first-class *A. T. Ω.* of Garza.

Not long ago, we tendered our fair sisters an oyster supper in our hall, which was, owing largely to the efforts of Brother Kennard, a grand success.

An *A. T. Ω.* German Club is being advocated, and the fellows who can't dance have caught the fever, and are going to learn immediately.

Roanoke College will have a good base ball club this season; and we will have two men at least, on it, Brother Morgan first base, and Brother Pechin short stop.

February 19th the Phi Gamma Deltas had a banquet at Hotel Lucerne in Salem, which was a very pleasant affair. Brother Pechin was invited from the *A. T. Ω.* boys, and reflected credit upon himself and our Fraternity by his excellent response to the toast "Our Aims." He also had the honor of being the escort of the prettiest girl at the banquet, and it is only appropriate to remark that she wore an *A. T. Ω.* pin. We are glad to see our Gamma friends waking up in the way of an appreciation of social pleasures. While we hope to continue to lead in society in the future, as we have continually done up to the present time, yet we don't want to have a complete monopoly in that line, and hope the Gammas will do what they can.

At present all the spare dimes and quarters which used to go for cigarettes and other things, go in the "Chapter House Fund Box," and in addition to this, we are getting what subscriptions we can from our Alumni brothers. All this with a view of building a home as soon as the new site for the college is settled upon. The "boom" at Salem makes it desirable to move, selling the old buildings and erecting better ones, and the site chosen will

probably be across the river. Brothers Sheldon Bowman and 'Gene Smith are the Chapter House boomers. What's the matter with every Chapter of our Fraternity making a similar effort? There is nothing that will advance the interests of our beloved order more than to erect chapter houses. Think about it, Brother Alpha Taus and start the boom in your Chapter.

H. H. PECHIN,  
*Correspondent.*

VERMONT BETA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON.

We will assure you of our co-operation in making the PALM a journal worthy our grand fraternity. We appreciate, as never before, the worth of the brotherhood. Brother Wilson returned to us from Congress very much enthused, and at the first meeting after the Christmas recess, we very willingly set aside all other matters to listen to his encouraging report. The report of *A. T. Ω.* prosperity enthused all of us with new zeal. It did our hearts good to hear of the grand and noble men who compose the fraternity. Long may their names continue to grace the rolls of usefulness of our beloved country and of *A. T. Ω.*

Entering the college year with thinned ranks, and under other somewhat discouraging circumstances, some of the brothers worked particularly hard, and now we are glad to say our prospects were never brighter. A large freshman class entered, and we had good material to pick from. Eight men were secured from the class, and were all duly initiated as brothers. The addition of these makes a chapter of nineteen active members. Our Alumni members are, with one or two exceptions, doing life's active duties. Brother Norris is preaching in one of the neighboring towns, and at the same time carrying along his college work.

At present, Brothers Northrop, Hoyt and Mackay are laid up with sickness, but will soon be with us again.

C. E. STEVENS,  
*Correspondent.*

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## THE FOUNDING OF VIRGINIA ALPHA.

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The Virginia Military Institute was the great school of the Southern Confederacy. It was founded twenty-five years before the civil war, by the State of Virginia, and was modeled in all respects after West Point, except it had no cavalry department. From its beginning it was presided over by an honor graduate of West Point, and one of the ablest scholars and most distinguished men the Old Dominion ever produced, the late General Francis H. Smith. All the colleges of the South went to pieces upon the secession of the States except this one, which received a powerful impetus by war. It was the very atmosphere in which its highest and best life could be attained. It at once gathered within its halls the *creme de la creme* of southern youth—a finer, nobler band of young men never assembled in classic hall. It continued to prosper during the four years of fierce bloody strife, in camps of instruction and upon the field of battle, giving aid to the southern cause. Its students were enlisted men as well, being expected to respond with equal alacrity to the long roll that called them on forced marches to defend unprotected points, and the recitation call that summoned them to the lecture room. The experience was altogether unique, never anything just like it, probably, in any other school. Student soldiers these were, ready to demonstrate “Math.” to Specks and Old Git, to decline Latin nouns for Old Ball, to keep pace at the rate of forty-five miles a day with Stonewall’s foot cavalry, or to charge the serried ranks of Siegel under the chivalrous lead of the gallant Breckenridge. What other youth ever had such an experience?

Faithful unto the very end, it shared the reverses as well as the successes of the Southern cause. Its eleves filled heroes’ graves, bore on their persons the evidences of mortal conflict: its walls shattered and blackened by flames, without a roof, without a floor, the grand old ruin seemed prophetic of the future of the school.

At the close of the war, it was not thought possible that it could resume. The star of its glorious destiny seemed to have gone down forever. There were many who thought it a pity to revive it—it had done its duty well, let it be buried in that past in which it had made itself immortal.

But the work of this great school was not yet done. Its previous training but stored it with greater vitality, and the result was that in answer to the call to report for academic duty, made within six months after the surrender at Appomattox, fragments of three of the four classes of the old school reported for duty amid the desolation and wreck of Institute Hill on the 10th of September, 1865. As far as the writer knows, it was the very first of the Southern schools to resume.

Among those who returned were two first classmen, who in the previous summer, had, with a member of the retiring first class, founded the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. This article deals not with that founding: it was a separate and distinct thing from the founding of Virginia Alpha. That precious bit of history can and will be better told at some future day. These two Alpha Taus were the first and only Greek letter men who had ever been at the Institute. It is the positive impression of the writer that the Greek Fraternity had been unknown at the Military Institute up to this time. The position and influence of these two students, being at once the highest officers and first honor men of their class, with the fact that the field was absolutely all their own, made it an easy matter for them to establish a chapter under the most auspicious circumstances. They gathered around them the best men of their own class, the choicest spirits of the second and third classes, and the Alpha Chapter began its wonderful career. Was such a band of boys ever gathered together in chapter? As I recall Glazebrook, Marshall, Daines, Bennett, Lee, Spiller, Overton, Dinwiddie, Hayes, Wright, I ask myself, what more could be embraced in a Chapter? Intellect, heart, courage, culture, gentleness, magnanimity, grace. It was a wonderful coterie of bright, gifted and chivalric spirits. This combination could do anything. It did everything. It controlled the corps—the best scholars, the best

soldiers, the most elegant gentlemen—leaders in the class room, the debating halls, on the field, in society; sought after and courted to conduct every enterprise in school and community—with the confidence so complete of faculty and students that no explanation was asked of the Mystic Cross which illumined their breasts. From the very first there seemed no greater excellency for Alpha Tau Omega to attain—it had sprung complete, beautiful, all powerful, into existence. Such was the beginning of the Chapter life of our Fraternity. Without undue exaggeration or sentiment we believe no Fraternity had a fairer beginning. Nor do we believe that there is any higher inspiration in Fraternity life than that which Alpha Tau Omega has in the personnel, influence, worth, success and blessed memory of its first chapter.

M. H. C.

## SOUTH CAROLINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

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In response to a call issued by Brother Thos. F. McDow, a number of the South Carolina Alumni met at Columbia, on May 14th, 1891, for the purpose of organizing an Alumni Association. The meeting was organized by calling Brother McDow temporarily to the chair, and appointing Brother C. S. Green as Secretary. It being the sense of the meeting that a permanent organization of the Alumni would be most desirable and delightful, steps were taken to this end at once, by appointing a Committee on Bylaws, care being exercised to act within the provisions of the Fraternity Constitution. Brothers Vensing and Dawson constituted the Committee, and in due time made a report which was unanimously accepted after each bylaw had been considered separately. The election of permanent officers resulted in the chairs being filled by the following Brothers: T. F. McDow, Dr. Theo. Du Bose Bratton, Chas. S. Venning, A. W. Smith, T. M. Du Bose. The following Executive Committee was then appointed by the chair: Brothers W. M. Homer, M. P. Ravenel, M. D., Jno. M. Kinard and H. P. Green. After the organization was completed and all the immediate business transacted, the Association adjourned to meet again this fall.

The most sanguine expectations of the movers in this call were realized by the enthusiasm and interest shown in this first meeting. A closer bonding of Alpha Taus in this State has long been desired. There are few States where richer material for such an association exists. To those who know South Carolina, the above names themselves are sufficient guarantee of the influence which such an organization at once possesses. The men who compose Alpha Tau Omega in South Carolina are remarkable in many ways. They represent the highest grade of the best element in this State, and to say this, is to say all that is necessary so far as culture, social and moral worth are concerned. South Carolina, in her best representatives, has always

stood at the very top of the social and moral fabric in America, and Alpha Tau Omega has settled herself in the very topmost layer of this exalted structure. And, as is to be expected in this class of adherents, loyalty is strong and enthusiastic.

The writer of this is not a South Carolinian, and, therefore, speaks without reserve, and his testimony is that a more attached and distinguished Alumni is not to be found than that which compose the Alpha Taus of South Carolina.

This association is hailed with peculiar delight, and not only does it add another brilliant star to the galaxy of our Alumni Associations, and not only will it add greatly to the pleasure and delight of fraternity intercourse in this State itself, but it strengthens the active work of the fraternity by bringing into close, organized connection with it a singularly favored, faithful band of men who, in the onward march of Alpha Tau Omega, can and will add in their contribution of wisdom, courage, devotion, wealth and fidelity, very much to the solid success and true eclat of the fraternity.

OBSERVER.

## QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

(REPRODUCED.)

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If our fraternity is to exercise an influence beyond the confines of her several chapters, she must, of necessity, select good material out of which to raise a superstructure which shall do lasting credit to her and her teachings. Hasty judgments, personal bias for or against, name, fame, position—all these are allurements to which we are all subject when we consider the qualifications of a man for membership. We are too apt to grasp the external glitter; to generalize upon premises too meagre and indefinite; in fine, to catch at something and grasp nothing. Let us be ever calm and watchful; let us dive deep into a man's true nature before we confer the blessing; let us base our decision upon *positives*—not upon *negatives*.

A man must stand a test as severe as is consistent with our natural frailty; he must be judged by the highest standard, tempered with a minimum of mercy; we must present a member to the world who will help us to preserve a bold, aggressive front; not one who can only act on the defensive. Let us make no apologies for our work or workers; our mission on earth draws to a close when Alpha Tau Omega finds herself obliged to offer excuses for any of her sons.

A feeling of friendship for a man may often be based upon gratitude for personal favors received; upon a thousand and one acts which have no connection with mankind in general, but have only a local, personal, temporary significance. Judgments based upon such conditions as these must be valueless, as far as the grand organic unity of our fraternity is concerned. They are only valuable as between one individual and another; they are to be cast aside when regard is had to a man's qualifications for membership. Love, producing its beneficent results, *may have* the world for its sphere of operation; but the man of foresight sees often the true essence of love sadly deficient in a soul

which seems within its narrow limits all nobility and greatness. Let us have great, big hearted men; men who can be pillars of our noble edifice, and show to the world that vigorous manhood and merciful tenderness go hand in hand.

It is well also to weigh carefully all the evidence brought forward with regard to the qualifications of candidates for membership. Birth, unaccompanied by all that makes birth of value, should not be a man's passport to *A. T. Q.* and her benefits. The cultivation of the soul—its broadening, its expanding influences over the entire range of human thought and sentiment—must form the solid, substantial foundation upon which all nobility of character must rest. Without a noble, generous, chivalric soul within, a plausible, specious exterior is but a mockery and a sham, which must not delude us into hasty action.

Of all the qualities absolutely essential to a true member, first and foremost stands *generosity*—a generosity that has spontaneity as its characteristic element; a generosity which knows *when* to do, *where* to do, and *how* to do. Intelligence, vigor, solidity—all are valueless unless made spiritual and divine by the life-giving warmth of a heart that beats responsive to the dictates of a generous nature. No cool, calculating, "highly moral" men are needed in our ranks; if we are to assist one another, let us do it in a whole-souled, free-hearted way. Let the act be spontaneous, and subject to no laws of the head, but only to the highest impulses of our noblest self. We need and must have men who can thrust forth their strong arms, and help those who need comfort and assistance—who can give up self utterly when self-abnegation is necessary. If an *A. T. Q.* requires encouragement and aid, grasp the opportunity for doing a noble act; pull him through the narrow, dangerous places, because your own nature tells you that it is a generous and God-like thing so to do. Let us seek men who never hesitate to put forth their highest exertions to make the lives of their fellow-men brighter and happier. Such natures are the realization of God's highest purpose, and from the depths of such hearts are we to draw our highest inspiration. The grand fruition of all

our hopes, our aims and endeavors for *A. T. Q.* will be reached when she obtains generosity, true nobility and manhood in each and every soul admitted within her ranks;—then, and then only, will her life-work be accomplished.

C. McD. P.

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I will pay \$5.00 for Vol. I of PALM, 1881; will pay \$1 each for Nos. 1, 2 and 4 of Vol. II: No. 1 of Vol. IV, and No. 3 of Vol. V. I have No. 2 of Vol. IV; Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Vol. IV; Nos. 2 and 4 of Vol. X, which will be gladly exchanged for any of above Nos., or will be mailed to any one free desiring them to complete volumes.

DAVE WHITE,

Mebane, N. C.

## **EDITORIALS.**

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The time has come when strict business methods must hold in fraternity matters. Chapter houses cannot be built, magazines cannot be edited and printed without money, and money promptly raised and paid. In proportion as the spirit of enterprise takes possession of fraternity life—and such a spirit is the condition of Greek life in this age, and will prevail more and more—ways and means must be devised to meet the promptings of such a spirit. It will not do to rely upon spasmodic efforts. Business cannot succeed upon such a plan. The question of finance is one that should receive the most thoughtful attention of the Chapters. Sentiment is all right, and proper in its place, but Chapter life and growth must have a more substantial ground underneath. That Chapter will be the most useful and efficient, and consequently, the most happy and successful in all respects, which depends not upon subscription lists gotten up under the spur of some sudden call, but upon a regular plan of accumulating in its exchequer funds for its various purposes. It is wonderful how it adds to the self-respect, dignity, permanency and strength of an organization to have a well-filled treasury, either in the shape of cash or well-secured investments. Every Chapter can and should have a sinking fund: the beginning may be small and the income slow, but the mites accumulate with surprising rapidity. Let every Chapter have its bank account. No better time can be spent by the chapter than bringing its effort and ingenuity to bear upon measures out of which such a possibility may be realized. Assessments, entertainments, lectures, legacies from Alumni, are each and all sources to be watched and worked to this end. Other organizations make money, why can't a Chapter? It can if it will inaugurate a plan of sound financial activity. The living and pressing problems of Chapter houses, PALM dues, Alumni club houses and the like can be solved in this way and no other.

At the very bottom of all true business is the sense of obligation. As this sense is keenly appreciated, business is honorably transacted. Contracts, trades, debts entered into without this appreciation, may or may not be observed as interest dictate, but then such business degenerates speedily into organized theft. The morals of trade cannot be too earnestly emphasized. There is a right and a wrong way of conducting business, and as in all other cases, the right way is the only one that brings peace, comfort, and satisfaction in the end. This feature of honorable business is most important to be impressed upon Chapters. There are not two rules of business—one for the business world, the other for Greek Fraternities. Business is the same and must always be conducted upon the same principles in all spheres of activity. Chapters sometimes act in regard to their contracts as if they were outside of the pale of business requirement. A contract, expressed or implied, is a contract by whomsoever made, and subject to the law of all contracts. A Chapter cannot maintain its honor if it fails to keep its business word. When it enters into an agreement it is under solemn obligation to fulfil that agreement. We are sure there is much thoughtlessness in this matter among Chapters. Take for instance the initiation fee, the magazine due, or such allotments as may be placed upon Chapters by proper authority. Here are agreements to which they have assented. There is but one thing to do with such obligations, and that is to fulfil them promptly, fully, cheerfully. There can be no satisfactory progress in Fraternity matters until this sense of obligation is fully recognized. Business fails without this recognition. Fraternity enterprise will also fail. It is absolutely necessary to the successful growth and development of Fraternity life that the same business integrity hold in its transactions that are found necessary elsewhere.

The sooner our Chapters face this side of their existence the better. For success, all obligations must be promptly and honorably met. The initiation fees should be forwarded at once, the PALM dues should be met with the greatest promptness, the obligations that are strictly local should be promptly discharged. Only by observing this sense of obligation can the Fraternity

grow and maintain itself in a way worthy of life. More quickly than ever before, will Fraternities who do not insist upon strict, honorable business methods, go to the wall. Under the present improved condition of Greek life, a Fraternity can't live and should not live without business integrity, and the Fraternity can't have it unless it holds in the components of the Fraternity, the individual Chapters.

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At the very heart of Alpha Tau Omega is the principle of centralization. It was organized upon this principle, and from the very first it has consistently guarded it. Most of the Fraternities have come to this principle. We started with it. Our ruling power, our mainspring, is in Congress when assembled, in the High Council at all other times. What the High Council orders goes out with supreme power, and is final. In its Chairmen it is always in session and is ever watchful over every interest of Alpha Tau Omega. It is in a position to know what is best for the Fraternity. The High Council is regulated by the Constitution, and cannot go in opposition to it, but it may legislate upon points not covered by the Constitution, and such legislation has all the authority of Congress. Together with the W. G. C. it must require the Chapters to live up to the Constitution and must discipline them if they do not. Such a plan of organization is a strong one, and best calculated to insure the greatest justice and highest success to the Fraternity as a whole. As at present constituted the High Council is a devoted and wise body. The brothers who form it are notably loyal, absolutely impartial, thoroughly informed about Greek letter affairs. Their decrees should come with great influence, as doubtless they do, to the Chapters. Having the PALM under its management and thereby coming in contact through the various exchanges with the Fraternity and College worlds, it is in an excellent position to keep *en rapport* with the whole development of Greek life. The strength of this combination can't be overestimated. It gives just the exact information which the High Council should always possess to perfect its efficiency. Let the

Chapters be wise enough to congratulate themselves upon the peculiar advantage of such a combination, and speedily accept and act upon every suggestion and ruling which emanates from so conservative and intelligently informed a body. The circular just issued is of urgent importance. The change it proposes in regard to the time of the issue of Vol. XII. of the PALM, the direction as to where the Chapter subscription is to be immediately sent, the imperative reminder that every active member is compelled by the constitution to subscribe and that the Chapter must require obedience to the constitution—these are vital matters and have had the most thoughtful consideration of the High Council. It is very necessary that the most obedient attention be given to this circular. We doubt not the Chapters will cheerfully and speedily comply with its directions.

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We are thinking much just now about the good of the Chapters. It is the beginning of another Chapter year. The success of the Chapters is very dear to our hearts. We are most anxious to have them begin well and continue well. We have urged the importance of business methods, we have dwelt upon one of the strong features of our organization, so that the Chapters may feel their feet to be upon a solid rock basis, and now we want to speak of two more things particularly uppermost in our mind just now, or rather of one thing in two different lights; we mean our men, the men who are to become Alpha Taus, the men who are Alpha Taus, specially those who have long been, our Alumni.

As to the first class, it has been well said there are no fixed immutable laws for estimating human character, but there is one result of experience which can't be questioned, and that is, that human character is much what we make it. The power of influence is almost supreme in its development. Students as a rule range themselves quickly into different classes. There are those chiefly noted for studious habits, others socially inclined, others still very retiring, asserting themselves neither in intellect

tual nor social relations. We think a Chapter makes a mistake in confirming itself to any one of these classes. A commingling of all gives a better result. Thereby the studious are tempered into sociability, the socially inclined are guarded on their weak side and the nondescript are brought out into distinct individuality. A good work is thus accomplished for the School. We believe the most useful future is in the symmetrical character, the good all around man. One thing we are very certain about: it is not well that a Chapter or Fraternity get the reputation of being distinctively iutellectual or social. This Fraternity of ours is for all sorts of men, provided they can be made good, honorable men; and the ideal Fraternity, as the ideal man, is the one where there exists in true proportion, heart, mind and soul. Don't be too particular about new men. Some of the brightest gems have come out of the very roughest specimens. If they fulfill the ordinary requirement of the average student and are, in other respects, acceptable to the Chapter, take them if you can get them. The Chapter's responsibility does not lie chiefly in the men as you find them, but in the men as you make them after they have been under Chapter influence. The Chapter should be judged not so much by the wisdom of its choice of men, as by its fidelity in developing the men up to the highest possible character. The chief concern, in a word, should be not how they are found by you, but how they are left by you. And this brings us to the other aspect: the old men. What we specially wish to say about them is, that they should be impressed by their Chapter life, that once an Alpha Tau always an Alpha Tau—that membership in Chapter and Fraternity does not terminate with college life. To this end every means should be employed to impress members that they are dear to the Fraternity—that the Fraternity has an abiding interest in everything that concerns its members. If active members see that the Alumni are looked closely after, that a record of their lives is carefully kept, that their successes are hailed and registered with delight, that even their very faces are preserved upon the walls of the Temple, they will recognize what a true friend and guardian the Fraternity is. The most important officer in the

Chapter is the historian. Nothing will so hold the regard of the Alumni, or inspire the confidence and esteem of the active members, as care in preserving the life record of every member. To feel that someone cares for our life work, and will watch it and value it and preserve it, is a precious inspiration. Not only will a man work better for this consciousness, but he will value as a most important and blessed agency to be supported and preserved, an organization which so devotes itself to his history. Let the Chapters duly estimate the importance of the historian to the members individually and the Fraternity at large, and the more they think of it the more careful will they be to see that his duty be fully and accurately performed. To the large majority of men, the Fraternity is the only body that will concern itself about their life and the only source from which, ultimately, may be drawn any definite, loving information about them.

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Chapters will please send letters for PALM upon the receipt of this number, and Chapter Historians will greatly oblige the High Council, and add the chiefest interest to the PALM by sending on constantly full accounts of the sayings, doings, honors, successes of their Alumni.

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This number will conclude Vol. XI. Being prepared in the vacation term, there are no Chapter letters. "The Voice of the Greek Press," which supplies that deficiency, will be found of great value, as giving the choicest thought of the Fraternity Press. Specially would we call attention to the *resume* of Fraternity happenings for the past Collegiate year, as ably and accurately presented by one of our honored exchanges.

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No. 1 of Vol. XII. in accord with the wise change made by the High Council, will be mailed by November 15th, and the following numbers will appear promptly by the 15th of the

months of January, April and July. Subscriptions will be at once due for Vol. XII. and in the case of Chapters must be promptly remitted to the W. G. K. E., and in the case of Alumni subscribers must be sent directly to the Editor of the PALM.

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We would call attention to our advertisements. Although few at present, we greatly value the friends who have shown this kindly interest and confidence in the PALM. We can guarantee that any business entrusted to them will receive the most careful and faithful attention. Let every Alpha Tau throw whatever business he can in their hands.

\* I sent my Subscription promptly for Vol XII. And lost the Receipt for the same. J. H.

## IN MEMORIAM.

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### WILLIAM WILLIAMS,

ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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The members of Alpha Delta Chapter have heard with sorrow of the death, by accident, of Brother William Williams, formerly of Raleigh.

*Resolved*, That in Brother Williams' death our Fraternity has lost a generous, frank and open-hearted member.

*Resolved*, That we extend to his sorrowing mother and relatives our sincerest sympathy in this their sad bereavement.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished his mother, a copy sent to the PALM for publication, and that they be spread upon our Chapter Record.

SHEP. BRYAN,  
G. L. PESCHAN,  
T. R. LITTLE.

*Committee.*

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### WILLIAM BINGHAM.

ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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Died at Bingham's School, N. C., on July 26th, 1891, after a lingering and painful illness of nine weeks, Brother William Bingham.

His comrades and brothers of Alpha Delta Chapter desire to place upon record a testimonial of their grief at his untimely death.

We mourn the death of a worthy, useful and devoted member of our Fraternity, a friend true, tried and trusty, a kind and courteous gentleman, a Christian, sincere and consistent.

Throughout his long illness the virtues of his character shone with undimmed lustre. His body was racked with pain and suffering, but his spirit was amid it all, still gentle and patient, still trustful and resigned to the will of "Him who doeth all things well." After nine weary weeks the disease abated, but the sufferer's strength was too far gone to be recalled. The tide of life had ebbed too low for the returning flood of health and strength to set in.

"God's finger touched him and he slept," not the deep unwaking sleep of forgetfulness, but quietly and peacefully he sank into that calm and undisturbed repose of those who shall one day awake to a glorious immortality.

To our earth beclouded vision it seemed that this youth, so full of hope and faith, had a great work stretching before him in the coming years, but the Father has called him home, and we bow in humble submission to that will greater and wiser than ours.

To his sorrowing family, bereft of an affectionate and dutiful son, a kind and loving brother, we extend our deepest sympathy.

Another has voiced the prayer we would utter, "God rest thee, comrade! God rest thy soul in peace, thou golden-hearted gentleman!"

Let this notice be spread upon our minutes, a copy be sent to the family of the deceased, and a copy to the PALM for publication.

SHEP. BRYAN,  
G. L. PESCHAN,  
T. R. LITTLE.

*Committee.*

## EXCHANGES.

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An old Greek editor returning to the sanctum after years of absence is, possibly, in the best position to judge of the development of fraternity journalism. And the first question that arises is, Has there been improvement? The answer to this must be, Yes and No. In the general make-up of the magazine—in press-work, method, particularly in illustrations and advertisements, there has been a very great advance. We should say that a great deal more money is now expended in producing and running the magazine. We doubt if there is more, if as much, thought. In a word, we are more impressed by the mechanical and practical than we are by the intellectual and sentimental. We are free to avow, however, that the present magazine indicates great enterprise and industry along business lines, and that upon the whole the improvement in Greek journalism has kept pace with that of any other department of book making activity.

With few exceptions, we recognize none of our old and esteemed friends by their dress. The conspicuous exception to this is the *D. K. E. Quarterly*. From the first it has pursued the even tenor of its way—no fluctuation in size or color or device—from the beginning as good as paper and printer could make it, it has been easily in appearance and arrangement the ideal fraternity magazine. We confess it has been ever our envy and our pride—our envy in the way of emulation, our pride in the broader, more generous sweep of Greek *esprit*.

When we open its attractive pages, we find, too, the matter has not deteriorated. The same dignified, courteous, chaste, discriminating, fair, able editing has marked it all along. Such uniformity in all that is first-rate, through so long a time and with change of editorial management, is indeed remarkable. Long may it prosper and hold its enviable place in our very front rank!

The July number is redolent with commencement flavor. An honor man furnishes an appropriate frontispiece; annual gatherings, valedictorians, orations at Alma Mater make it replete with peculiar interest to undergraduates and Alumni alike; a timely editorial on centralization and extension, emphasizing the important truth that "every Fraternity should have some central authority," while the autonomy of the Chapter should be jealously preserved, gives us all matter for thought; a suggestive and full exchange department, criticizing kindly and candidly, adds to a correct knowledge of Greek affairs; sixteen Chapter letters admirable for their conciseness and tone; graduate personals containing, among briefer notices, very full and interesting memoirs, and handing down the wise sayings of some old Dekes who speak well and to the point; some clippings of general interest all combined—furnish an excellent July number.

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The *Delta Upsilon* and *Phi Gamma Delta* *Quarterlies*, *The Scroll* of *Phi Delta Theta* and *The Shield* of *Theta Delta Chi*, are most excellent magazines. They are marvels of enterprise, and simply astonish an editor of ye olden times. How in the world did they get so many ads., and how could they afford to spend so much money upon photos. and engravings—these are the questions which perplex us. Maybe the answer to the last is in the first: the ads. made it possible to illustrate so fully and beautifully. We sincerely wish we had the tact to get the one and the ability to do the other. Our first impression is that these magazines are very much alike. A closer inspection makes us pair them off, and strange to say, we find we have put the two together that are alike in cover and general appearance.

*D. U.* and *P. G. D.* both give much prominence to personal histories. It is space well given, for the magazine can do no better or more lawful work than to preserve the history of its distinguished men. *D. U.* has the peculiarity of having no distinctive Editorial Department, and we thereby lose a valuable contribution to the general good from the large experience of Mr. Crossett. We give bodily the one article of general interest.

What it says of Chapters and the best time for holding conventions is deserving of our earnest consideration.

“Love for Fraternity arises from several sources. Affection for the members of any individual chapter: admiration and respect for the Fraternity Alumni, who have achieved success in life. Esteem for the organization, its principles, leaders and methods are among the chief causes. No member, who has not attended a convention, or who has not met representatives of other chapters, can ever regard the fraternity as a true fraternity. He must see to appreciate. The question how can undergraduates become better acquainted, is always in order. Acquaintance begets friendship, and unity of purpose results. To so firmly unite a large number of chapters, that each individual member shall be stamped with true Delta Uism, is a high and praiseworthy aim.

We do not so much need more chapters as we do better chapters. No reflection is intended upon the present chapters, but how many could say, “We have reached the ultimate perfection.” *Excelsior! Excelsior!* In fraternity work there is always room for internal improvement.

With the accession of chapter houses, greater facilities are afforded for entertaining visiting members. A greater tendency to visit is engendered, but it is only at convention time that members from distant chapters become acquainted. They then are drawn together as delegates on business, and even then there are seldom more than the allotted number from each chapter present. Why are there so few undergraduates at conventions? Because most college faculties will not excuse the absence of more than two or three delegates. Because students can ill afford the time from the middle of a term which ought to be devoted to prize or honor work. Because students have just or are scarcely becoming settled from the rushing season, and other pressing matters engross their attention. Then ought we to have conventions? Why, certainly; but have them at a season when perfect freedom to attend them is given. The long summer vacations finds students relieved from cares and ready to meet brothers from other chapters, and to form their acquaintance at

some delightful spot. Business and professional men, and alumni in general, find that the summer would be a better time to attend convention than the dismal November days. It is not imperative that the convention be held in a large city or even in a college town. Lake George, Chautauqua, or any summer resort would be preferable."

The following from *P. G. D.* will be appreciated by all editors and should be heeded by all members. The desirable variety of contents can only be had by contributions from different pens. Let every Alpha Tau read and reread this article and act upon its suggestions.

"The overwhelming modesty of the average college student in certain respects would appear to us very amusing, did circumstances not compel us to view it in another light. Many of our readers who are capable and willing to contribute articles on fraternity topics or to aid the *Quarterly* in many other ways are deterred from so by what is nothing more nor less than false modesty. They feel that because they are not asked personally for a contribution, that it would be presumptuous in them to offer it. We feel that this must be true, inasmuch as when an article is requested from a certain individual he usually responds. The same holds good for alumni as well, and our present aim is to disabuse your mind of this idea. Did we but know who are the literati of each chapter, they would receive a very urgent appeal by the next mail. We desire the *Quarterly* to be truly representative, but this cannot be so, when the editor is compelled to grind out the literary articles, exchange editorials, personal and every other department of the *Quarterly*. The editor's brain is not a Pandora's box, out from the recesses of which articles on any subject whatever, are forced at his call; neither is he sufficient of a clairvoyant to determine what each and every Alumnus is doing at a certain specified time. True, every man is not the favorite of the masses, neither can every one bring philosophical dissertations on fraternity ethics, etc., but each can endeavor to make the *Quarterly* his own organ in his own way. He can send us items of fraternity interest; clippings from newspapers of prominent Delta's or Hellenic happenings;

he can at least secure us an occasional subscription and in many other ways earn our everlasting gratitude."

In all fairness we must give the preference to the blues over the browns, but it is the choice between excellencies. Upon further inspection we place *The Shield* very high. Its strength is where it ought to be—in its Editorial Departments. The editorial notes and comments are worthy of all praise, and we wish we could reproduce that entire portion of the March number.

The characteristic feature of the June number of *The Scroll* is illustrated histories of colleges. Its Editorial Department does not indicate the care and time of that of its partner, *The Shield*, but abundant industry is evinced in other departments. Under another heading we give complete its excellent review of the Greek world for the past collegiate year.

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*Beta Theta Pi* is ably edited. It has always been. It occupies a unique position, however. A fraternity that sustains two magazines is indeed to be commended and if the one for the public gaze is not better, there should be no surprise, as the better work should be done for the fraternity proper. Yet the public issue is brimful of news. It draws news from all sources and does not hesitate to introduce any kind of subject for editorial treatment. The fraternity world would be heavy losers if *Beta Theta Pi* did not give an exchange. We have no doubt but that we shall find it one of the most valuable of our exchanges. We take one article from it for this number.

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*The Shield*, of *Phi Kappa Psi*; the *Kappa Alpha Journal*, the *Caduceus*, of *Kappa Sigma*; the *Record*, of *S. A. E.*; the *Rainbow*, of *Delta Tau Delta*; the *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, the *Chi Phi Quarterly*, the *Delta*, of *Sigma Nu* have all been received by the present Editor. They all indicate marked improvement. We have not space to notice them as they deserve, in this issue, but welcome them most heartily, and have already seen enough of them to be satisfied that they will prove helpful and delightful companions.

We have not mixed the *Anchora*, the *Alpha Phi* and *Kappa Alpha Theta Quarterly* up with the baser sort. We would put them by themselves, and they are quite able to stand alone. Indeed, the young ladies wield trenchant editorial blades, and for spicy, witty criticism we place them at the head of the Fraternity class. We remember when we were boys how the fact that a young lady always stood at the head of the class, proved a powerful incentive to make us struggle for second place, as the seats were arranged in order of merit. Years have not produced much change in the sentiment, and while we would not if we could stand ahead of the ladies, and could not if we would, still we would like to be as near them as possible. Our sanctum will be better and brighter for their presence, and we shall hail with special pleasure every visit they make us.

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Our exchanges all will be an inspiration for the PALM to do the very best in its power to keep alongside of these splendid literary athletes and our ambition shall be to prove worthy in ability, enterprise and courtesy of a companionship at once so cultivated and inspiriting.

## THE VOICE OF THE GREEK PRESS.

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Under this head from time to time we will publish such extracts from the Greek Press which we think of special value in giving suggestions and information to Alpha Tau Omega.

### THE CHAPTER SCRAP BOOK.

(FROM BETA THETA PI.)

Do all Chapters keep a scrap-book? The experience that our catalogue editors and the corresponding secretaries are having in gathering the material for the forthcoming catalogue shows the need for preserving in permanent form everything of any possible future utility. A scrap-book of both general and local chapter news will be found of interest to all and perhaps of great value in days to come. Everything should be preserved that pertains in any way to Theta Beta Pi, general or local, alumni or active members, and one only ordinarily informed will be surprised to find out how much is afloat in newspapers of interest to Betas. Keep a book.

### BUILDING CHAPTER HOUSES.

(FROM THE SHIELD OF PHI KAPPA PSI.)

Our observation has brought us to this conclusion: Efforts to build chapter houses in Phi Kappa Psi have largely come to naught because they were spasmodic. The usual plan is to write glowing letters to alumni telling what is hoped may be done and asking them to do it. Failure inevitably follows. Nothing is done further for three or four, or perhaps ten years, until in another paroxysm of enthusiasm another pull is made upon alumni, followed by failure and disgust, common to those appealing, and to the appealed.

Let us suggest a better way. Organize in your chapter a sinking fund for house-building, for we believe houses will be more satisfactorily built to serve the purposes for which chapters

desire them. Into this fund pour all the odds and ends that may arise from time to time in the chapter's financial movements; or, as in some chapters, set apart a definite proportion of the initiation fee for that purpose. Then submit the question of a share in the construction of the house to every active man—limited in amount to \$100, and extended over a sufficient time—take his notes without interest for such portions of the amount as the period can be readily divided into, provided such obligation be met on maturity, charging the minimum legal rate of interest on deferred payments if not paid at such time. When such obligations aggregate \$1,000 or \$2,000, strike for your Alumni subscriptions and *strike hard!* Don't let up! If you are fraternal in tone in your appeals, and show business tact in your arrangements, your appeals will not be fruitless.

A board of trustees, made up in part of alumni, to whom shall be intrusted the funds under bond or in a corporate capacity, will insure permanency and security. Finally, have a committee whose sole business it shall be to look after the interests of the chapter house fund, and from it require a report every month of the college year as to the progress made, and presto, in a brief time, the impossible has been achieved.

Is this quixotic, visionary, impracticable? You know it is not! If you desire a chapter house strongly enough to deserve to have one, you can have it.

Mark you, some fraternities are wide-awake to the needs of the hour. The next era of fraternity development will be one of chapter-house building. Shall Phi Kappa Psi be relegated to the rear?

EARLY HISTORY OF FRATERNITY JOURNALISM.  
(FROM OLD SIGMA CHI.)

In 1825 the present system of chaptered fraternities was inaugurated by the foundation of the N. Y. Alpha of Kappa Alpha at Union College. In the time which has elapsed the system has grown until nearly every worthy college supports one or more of some five hundred chapters, and the total number of fraternity men exceeds seventy thousand.

Until 1866 the intercourse between the chapters of the same

fraternity was kept up mainly by letter, the conventions usually being tame and spiritless. Then the fraternities found themselves under the necessity of rebuilding what the war had destroyed, and seemed to wake up with singular energy. The work of reconstruction is now nearly finished, and new fields have been gained and won in the far West.

Under the influence of this revival of interest it was soon felt that the means of communication at hand were inadequate, and in several of the fraternity conventions the project of establishing society newspapers was discussed, but it came to nothing, and it remained for private enterprise to bring into actual existence what many had advocated.

The pioneer was the Rev. Charles D. Walker, a professor in the Virginia Military Institute, and a member of the Alpha Theta Chapter of Beta Theta Pi, there situated. Mr. Walker was an active and enthusiastic member, and had in September, 1872, been elected General Secretary of his fraternity. He chafed at the amount of time which the duties of his position demanded and determined to found a journal that should in part do his work for him and relieve him of so much writing. He called his paper *The Beta Theta Pi*, and issued the first number December 15, 1872. It was a four-page monthly about the size of the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and was filled with chapter news, reports, constitutional discussions and personals. The existence of the publication soon became known to rivals and several times a large part of its editions were stolen. In 1874 the paper was made the official organ of Beta Theta Pi, and was reduced in size but the number of pages was increased. In 1878 it assumed a blue cover, and now averages forty double-column pages. Its chief features are its discussions of questions of the fraternity's policy and its news items of other fraternities.

In January, 1874, the Chi Phi having just united the northern and southern orders, began the publication of a quarterly. But so slowly had fraternity information been disseminated that the editor stated in his first number that he knew of the existence of no similar journal. This *Chi Phi Quarterly* was of magazine form, containing about seventy pages to the number.

About one-half of its space was devoted to literary articles and the remainder consisted chiefly of personals. It was not successful under its management, and was reorganized in 1880, and now is devoted entirely to fraternity news, has a neat appearance, is sometimes illustrated, and shows its face to the world in a red and blue cover.

Chronologically, the next periodical of this kind which appeared was the *Phi Kappa Psi Quarterly*. In appearance and style it was much akin to the Chi Phi organ. In 1877 it became a monthly, and in 1878 it suspended for lack of support. In November, 1879, some of the alumni in York and Philadelphia began to publish a fraternity newspaper anonymously, calling it the *Shield*. This has been quite successful, mainly through the enthusiasm of Dr. E. F. Smith, of Pa. Epsilon. It is a lively and entertaining sheet, and is issued monthly, being chiefly devoted to chapter letters and reminiscences.

Phi Delta Theta next put in appearance with a little monthly called the *Scroll*, after a prominent feature of their badge. Like many other things connected with Phi Delta Theta it is *sub rosa*.

Up to 1880 it was an eight-page, three-column newspaper, its material consisting chiefly of chapter letters; the current volume is in a more compact form. It enjoys the unenviable distinction of having been the first of the fraternity organs to "sling mud" at its adversaries or notice them in any but a friendly way. This practice has been contagious, and should be disavowed by all respectable fraternities. It has done more to weaken the fraternity system than the years of persecution from 1840 to 1855.

In 1877, J. P. L. Weems, of the Pi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, started a periodical for his fraternity termed the *Crescent*. It was a fourteen page double-column monthly. The convention of 1878 made it official, and intrusted its management to the Alpha Chapter, which has since controlled it. In 1880 a blue cover was added and its size slightly increased. It has published a history of Delta Tau Delta and several chapter sketches. It receives subscriptions from outsiders as well as from members.

Until 1878 this new feature of fraternity administration had been monopolized by the western fraternities; now an eastern

organization entered the arena, and C. P. Bacon published the *Diamond* as the organ of Psi Upsilon. It was an eight-page, and sometimes a four-page paper, and was mainly filled with statistics and information derived from the Psi U. catalogue then in press. It was not well supported, and suspended after the issue of one volume.

The fraternity journals had now been tested by six years of failure and success, and their worth was seen and acknowledged, and each college term almost we learn of some new enterprise of this kind.

In the fall of 1879, Phi Gamma Delta came forward with an official organ under the auspices of the Theta (deuteron) Chapter. Going back to the principle which governed the pioneer journal, it was called the *Phi Gamma Delta*. It was at first a twelve-page paper, but has since assumed a cover and been enlarged to twenty pages. The discussions in its columns of fraternity topics and management have been timely and frequent. These and historical sketches have been the chief features of the paper.

In 1880, T. L. Mead, Cornell '77, issued a trial number of a journal for Alpha Delta Phi, and called it the *Star and Crescent*. It has since been issued quarterly. It makes a handsome appearance typographically, though it is noted for the air of superiority peculiar to the advocates of its society. It is not as enterprising nor as readable as some of its predecessors, but is well managed and seems to be successful.

In the same year appeared the *S. A. E. Record*, issued from Farmdale, Ky., and under the management of R. H. Wildberger, of the Grand Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. It was lively and interesting, but has failed for lack of adequate support. We trust that its suspension will not be permanent.

In December, 1880, the Alpha Tau Omega, another southern order, began to publish, through its High Council, a bi-monthly magazine of fifty pages, called *The Palm*. The first volume is not yet complete, though its vim and energy seem to foretell success.

In March of the current year, the youngest of the fraternities,

Delta Beta Phi, put forth its claims to recognition in the form of a quarterly issued from Cornell. It contained seven two-column pages and the usual class of news items.

The *Sigma Chi* completes the list and speaks for itself.

In addition to the above, the southern Kappa Alpha is said to have issued a paper for a short time, but the writer has never seen it and could not verify the rumor. The Fraternity journal occupies a peculiar position and cannot be judged by common standards. Experience has demonstrated, moreover, that the literary element should be suppressed in these journals, and that the more news that is given the more successful the paper will be.

#### THE YEAR JUST PASSED.

(FROM THE SCROLL OF PHI DELTA THETA.)

Those who have been diligent readers of the *Scroll*, or who would now take the trouble to glance over the numbers of Volume XV, should be pretty well informed upon the events of the college year 1890-91, since it has endeavored to record from time to time the current events of college and fraternity interest. But, no matter how closely one follows this trend in every day affairs the recollection upon some of them grows a little rusty, and a backward review serves to bring the whole before him in a way that gives him a better understanding of all that has been going on. We may keep our figures well enough, but if now and then we do not add up the column, we can illy compute their value. So it may be that something of a look backward over the field in which the *Scroll* is engaged may make better posted Phis of us all.

First to speak of fraternity journalism itself. The year has been a most remarkable one in this field. The evolution of the fraternity magazine has been a progressive one, and 1890-91 saw more energies put forth on magazine excellencies than ever before. For a number of years there had been isolated and spasmodic attempts at illustrations in fraternity journalism. The Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* had almost, without exception, prefaced its numbers with some interesting plate, that atoned in part for the sawdust statistics and edited material that followed

them. Now and then at the election of some alumnus to an honorable office, other magazines presented with many bows and much scraping a more or less disfigured portrait—anything between a “hasty” cut and a steel engraving. We have all been there together. They were good efforts and produced good results. But this was the beginning of illustrative work. That the feature of illustrations came so quickly into prominence we are inclined to ascribe as a cause, a little quarrel to which the *Θ Δ X Shield* and the *Δ T Quarterly* were principals. The former to clinch its claim of being the oldest established periodical among fraternities reproduced the first page entire of its Volume I, No. 1. But this set *Δ T* to hunting in her archives and out in the next issue of her *Quarterly* came Volume I, No. 1, of her original magazine antedating *Θ Δ X* by a year. These reproductions were the first among many that since regularly appeared in these and other journals, and for the last years almost all the journals have been given more or less to illustrations. This know what the *Scroll* has done in that line, and it hopes to do as well or better in the future. The *Δ T Quarterly* has given a number of portraits, several chapter groups, college buildings and chapter house plates. The *Θ Δ X Shield* has dealt largely with alumni and views of Union and Lafayette Colleges. The *Φ Γ Δ Quarterly* has had two chapter groups, some alumni portraits and Johns Hopkins views, and thus we might mention almost the entire list. The *Beta Theta Pi* has not nibbled at illustrations, even casting a jibe from its unadorned pages at the faces of the editors who loomed up in Daniel’s *Pan-Hellenic Supplement*.

Most of the journals now appear as quarterlies, these including the organs of *Σ X*, *Δ T*, *Θ Δ X*, *Φ Γ Δ*, *Δ K E*, *X Φ*, *Δ T Δ*, *Δ T Ω*, *Σ A E*, *Κ K Γ*, *Κ A Θ*, *A Φ*, *Δ Γ* and *Π B Φ*. Three published monthlies—*Φ K Ψ*, *B Θ Π* and southern *K A*, though we would not be surprised if the latter this year changed to the bi-monthly or quarterly plan. *Φ Δ Θ*, *Σ N*, and *K Σ* issue bi-monthly journals, though the latter has not yet had enough regularity to entitle it to the name. *B Θ Π* has been experimenting, having in the last few years tried the bi-monthly, quarterly and finally again in 1889, the monthly again. She talks

monthly now but does not seriously commit herself to the plan.  $\phi\ K\ \Psi$  talks monthly, preaches monthly, swears by monthly, and evidently would die for monthly, and all these characteristics were most prominent when hers was the only monthly issued. It has a well edited magazine, and that accounts for her marked satisfaction. We believe that Phi Delta Theta is well satisfied with her present bi-monthly plan, and that the Atlanta Convention will direct its continuance for another two years. We are not pledged to or bound up in any plan save that one which best meets the many and varied wants of the Fraternity, and no convention is to be prejudiced by the action of its predecessor. Certain it is that the decreased frequency of publication has not brought any decreased interest in our magazine, nor has the news budget it has brought been one whit more stale than that of the monthly. The business requiring haste has been much better dispatched by the directness and privacy of letters and circulars than formerly, and all in all the better physical appearance of the numbers has been a constant source of satisfaction to its readers. The future may make changes necessary, but these necessities are not yet apparent.

Almost all the magazines provide for some remuneration to their editors. This has become necessary by the great demands upon the time made by the publications which have passed from undergraduate to alumni hands. No magazine is edited whose editor simply gathers together the manuscript of contributors and sees that they appear in print. Nor does the appending of a few editorial paragraphs measure its completion. These are merely two small specific duties out of the multitude of unclassified ones that confront him in the preparation of every issue. This remuneration varies from a small allowance with the lesser magazines to one of more importance with the larger. The ladies' fraternities are meeting the question and following the others. With the present trend of fraternity journalism, it is evident that there must be provision for increased remuneration of editors with some fraternities or they must be content to have their journals take a back seat. And as the journal is the open acknowledged criterion by which all are judged, few will be con-

tent to be relegated to the rear without a strong effort to maintain a creditable publication. We do not believe that an increase in the various fraternity expenses of today should be encouraged, but the character of the better magazines should be made the standard. The subscription prices on some are: *Φ Κ Ψ Shield*, \$1.25; *Φ Γ Δ Quarterly*, \$1.50; *K A Journal*, \$1.50; *Θ Δ X Shield*, \$2.00; *Beta Theta Pi*, \$1.00; *Δ K E Quarterly*, \$1.00; *A T Ω Palm*, \$1.50; *Δ T Δ Rainbow*, \$1.00, and *Σ N* for her diminutive volume of 180 pages charges \$1.50. Of the journals charging a subscription price of but one dollar, the *Scroll* has given by far more matter to its subscribers than any other, and with but one exception, more than any at all.

At the beginning of the last college year there was raised in certain quarters, namely, the *Palm*, a great cry that the time for Pan-Hellenic dawn had come, and if the several magazines would but put themselves in proper positions to behold its glory,—which position was putting the hands in the pocket and bringing forth about two hundred dollars for the support of the *SUPPLEMENT*,—then Editor DANIEL would proceed to turn on the dawn. As we understood it, Mr. Daniel had two projects which he desired to see succeed. First, a great Pan-hellenic Congress of all fraternities, which should take action on some more or less definite matters of individual fraternity government and tend to elevate the moral, social and scholastic tone of all Greek letter societies. Second, the publication of a magazine to be known as the *Pan-Hellenic Supplement*, from some central point, in charge of an Editor-in-chief; the magazine to be supported by contributions from the several fraternities, who should use it bound in with their regular publications, it being devoted exclusively to pan-hellenic and general fraternity and college news. In one sense, it was to be a co-operative scheme. Mr. Daniel issued one or two numbers of the *Supplement* on his own responsibility while in charge of the *Palm*, and it was used by four of our exchanges, more to show what was being attempted in that line than to encourage this enterprise. The impression, founded to a fair degree on fact, soon got out that this latter project was one more for individual aggrandizement and profit,

than for pan-hellenic good, and was severely let alone. Alpha Tau Omega also in convention decided against using her organ so extensively for so-called pan-hellenic purposes.

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Another theme which the year has seen industriously discussed, is that of chapter houses. And it is not likely that this discussion will ease up any in the coming volumes. Chapter houses in certain quarters have already become the essential of prosperity, and these quarters are applying to more colleges each year. Chapters are few and far between that it does not urgently behoove to lay plans for a future home if they would retain their prestige. And others, if the matter is brought home as it should be, could soon ensconce themselves in leased and rented property that would afford them the advantage of a home until such time as they could make financial investment in real estate for themselves. The chapter house matter is not one that is to be settled by a motion and a vote at a single meeting. Its route is by work, work, diligent work day after day.

Two of our chapters entered houses last year for the first time, and preparations on the part of others indicate that the number is to be augmented to a greater extent this year. A number have made valiant additions to house funds that brings success much nearer. Among these are Pennsylvania Beta, Georgia Beta, Tennessee Alpha, Ohio Zeta, Illinois Zeta and California Alpha, all of whom have a considerable amount pledged. A number of others are forming plans, and have the nucleus of a fund. Outside of the ranks, the same work has not been less vigorously pushed. Older rivals have bought and built houses where fraternity life can be enjoyed to the utmost. All about us we have heard talk of building funds, purchases of lots, and leasing of houses, so that another trend in fraternity affairs is also unmistakable. The college dormitory must give up its population in part to the society house, fraternity home, co-operative club and what not.

New chapters have been established in some quarters at an astonishing rate. Two new chapters entered the ranks of  $\Psi\ U$  in May, namely—the local societies at the Universities of Penn-

sylvania and Minnesota which for some time had been petitioners.  $\Sigma \Phi$  last fall established her second chapter in 33 years at Cornell. Here also have been chartered branches of  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$  and  $\Sigma A E$ . The last named fraternity has within the year entered Dickinson, Cornell, Wofford, Denver and Colorado Universities. The *Record* speaks of a new chapter, "Ohio Beta," which the Cornellian and Dickinson chapter lists locate at Findlay College, an institution established a half dozen years ago, and since then practically unheard of.  $\Delta K E$  and  $X \Phi$  have entered the lists at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.  $\Sigma X$  is said to have entered Pennsylvania State College.  $\Sigma N$  has new charters at Alabama Polytechnic, DePauw, Des Moines College, Ohio State and Lombard, at the latter by absorbing  $\Delta \Theta$ , the prosperous and long established local, which from '69 to '85 was a chapter of  $\Delta T \Delta$ . Missouri College had scarcely been entered by  $\Sigma N$  ere a writ of ouster was served on the chapter. To her roll,  $\Delta T \Omega$  has added the names of Maine State College, Stevens Institute, Columbia, University of Pennsylvania, Hampden-Sidney and Haverford (Pa.), besides attempting to rejuvenate the Lehigh moribund body.  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  has joined the progressive bodies and has revived at University of Pennsylvania, Washington and Lee, and University of Virginia and entered Johns Hopkins.  $K \Sigma$  entered Butler and issued a charter to Johns Hopkins, but has made no initiations as yet at that place.  $B \Theta \Pi$  maintained dispensation chapters at Yale, Rutgers and Lehigh and her summer Convention has regularly chartered all these.

Complete inactivity has come to few chapters within our knowledge. A number in the ranks of several have met with reverses and were reduced in membership, but we know of few deaths.  $\Delta K E$  withdrew her name and charter from her Alpha Chapter at Harvard, known so long as the "Dickey Club."  $\Sigma X$  has surrendered her charter at Kansas, and  $\Delta T \Delta$  hers at Wisconsin. A year ago the last  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ 's graduated at Adelbert and Georgia, rendering two chapters inactive. At Kenyon's '91 Commencement the graduation of two men sent out the total membership of the Kenyon chapters of both  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Theta \Delta X$ .

Of the southern fraternities we have not the data at hand to say just what changes there have been in their lists.

In the way of college legislation in regard to fraternities there is little to say save that with few exceptions the recognition of them appears to be growing more liberal and broad-minded. In many institutions the faculty make it a point to look to the chapter for the good conduct of its members. If a member fails to come up to the standard in his studies or his conduct is inimical to good order the chapter is consulted and asked if it can help to remedy the matter. It is not held responsible for a man's acts, but its influence over him is recognized. If faculty and chapter fail to correct the fault there is the choice of dismissal from the chapter or college. At Iowa Wesleyan the restrictions upon membership have been drawn closer. A man must have reached Sophomore rank and maintained an average grade of 85 in his studies. Cornell (Iowa) and Missouri Valley will not countenance the chapters there— $\Sigma N$ . The following new institutions which have heretofore had no fraternities, now enroll chapters—Washington University,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ; Haverford,  $A T \Omega$ ; Findlay College,  $\Sigma A E$  and Des Moines College,  $\Sigma N$ . The first named institution at one time enrolled chapters of  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $Z \Phi$ .

#### THE COLLEGE ANNUALS.

(C. L. VAN CLEVE, IN SHIELD.)

The general style of the college annuals remains much as in former years, but I am of the opinion that there is a gradual improvement in the moral tone of the "grinds," and decidedly better work on the part of the engraver and printer. In fact the mechanical perfection of the work in the crop of 1891 far outruns the literary finish and we need an acquisition of brains in the latter to cope with the marked improvement of the former.

*Cornellian*, as its wont, stands at the front, both in mechanical respects and literary filling. I think, however, that several former volumes excel that which the class of '92 has produced, though by comparison with the issues from other institutions, the Cornell publication, in my judgment, is worthy of the first place. The class vignettes are less hackneyed than usual, rep-

resenting a callow youth, serenely confident, rowing gayly forth on placid waters with a cargo of wind, youthful ambition, Sunday-school record, etc. Shoals, rapids, wrecks, howling tempests drive him again and again within the narrow limits where destruction awaits the unskilled seaman, but at last Prexy meets the storm-tossed, dishevelled voyager, and crowns his reeking brow with laurels and bestows the merited sheepskin. The conception, though not new, is well executed,

A beautiful half-tone engraving of a quiet sunset amid peaceful fields and placid streams, illustrates the page upon which is announced the death of two students. The usual array of fraternity cuts and statistics appear, and at Cornell the number of such organizations is so great as to make the display almost formidable.

The *Cornellian* is to be credited with the most appropriate, harmonious and artistic cut introducing the athletic department. I wish our pages might contain a reproduction of it. It is a gem.

N. Y. A is certainly "in it" at Cornell on the athletic question, and has surely adequate representation in literary and musical organizations as well. The cartoons of *Cornellian* this year are rather weak, but '92's proposed memorial design for a bulletin board is in keeping with the other serious artistic attempts of the year, and is in excellent taste.

My judgment on the literary merits of the poems, etc., which were submitted to the editors, is so wholly at variance with their's, as shown by their distribution of awards, that I hesitate to quote. Of five selections, which seem to me worthy of quotation, I did not happen upon a single prize winner.

The following crew song is by no means bad :

Onward, like the swallow going,  
Roused in every nerve and sense.  
O, the wild delight of knowing  
'Tis our power that does the rowing !  
O, the joy of life intense !  
Rest was made for feebler folk ;  
Onward ! make her cut the water,  
And for fame of Alma Mater  
Stroke ! Stroke ! Stroke !

Deep we drink the inspiration,  
Eager zest light up each face ;  
Ecstasy and exultation  
Come from honest emulation  
In the contest and the race.  
Nerves of iron and hearts of oak,  
Under eye of youths and maidens,  
Catch the ringing, swinging cadence—  
Stroke ! Stroke ! Stroke !

Steady now ! let no distraction  
 Slow the speed of oar or shell ;  
 All in unison of action  
 Win the noble satisfaction—  
 Victory for old Cornell !

Coolly every power invoke.  
 Do not break in sweep or “ feather,”  
 One last effort ! all together !  
 Steady ! old Cornell forever !  
 Stroke ! Stroke ! Stroke !

The following are the brightest among the many verses with which *Cornellian's* pages are always filled.

He was a gay young deceiver,  
 She was a simple believer ;  
 His time to beguile  
 He'd fool her awhile,  
 And then he would suddenly leave her.  
 He wrote her a nice little letter ;  
 As a matter of course he knew better ;  
 Not stopping to think

He confided to ink  
 The expression which forged him a  
 fetter.  
 When at last he was ready to shake her,  
 Elsewhere to play as a faker ;  
 But the letter in court,  
 Cut the matter quite short,  
 It was \$10,000 to take her.

“ I am busted, Birdie, busted,  
 Busted by Tuition's raise ;  
 Never more can I revisit  
 The old haunts of former days.”

“ I am busted, busted, busted,  
 Busted higher than a kite,  
 Busted beyond all expectation  
 By Tuition's upward flight.”

“ For my clothes are worn and shabby,  
 And my shoes a sight to see ;—  
 But I never can replace them  
 While Tuition's up in 'G'"

“ Farewell, Birdie, farewell forever,  
 I am going home to stay,  
 For Tuition started climbing—  
 Climbing up the “ Milky Way.”

They went to see a foot-ball game,  
 She watched but thought it very tame,  
 Till from the crowd a stifled cry,—  
 She looked him softly in the eye  
 And said, “ What is it?”  
 He said, “ Down !”

They'd been to see a foot-ball game,  
 In one way it was very tame,  
 'Till with a kiss, a stifled cry,  
 She looked him softly in the eye.  
 He said, “ What is it?”  
 She said, “ Down!”

*Codex*, from Beloit, bears the honorable distinction of containing the finest portrait of the year, an exquisite etching of Dr. Emerson, Professor of Greek in the college, to whom the volume is dedicated. A number of other handsome steel engravings of professors and benefactors renders this volume of Beloit's annual very handsome, while the printer has done his full share in presenting to the college world a very fine book.

An excellent feature *Codex* introduces is manuscript copies of the class songs, immediately preceding the words, in addition to the regulation steel vignette and wood-cut cartoons. Several cartoons quite clever in conception adorn the pages of *Codex*, best of which are Obeisance of the Preps, a fragment in the style of an Assyrian bas-relief, and a fine satire of "pulling the legs" of the faculty, in which windlass, crank and pulley are brought into requisition by zealous pullers to the exquisite torture of the suffering profs.

A novelty finds its way into *Codex*, and a most excellent innovation it is into the dead-level of these peculiar publications, in the shape of reminiscences of alumni. The few which appear are bright, gossipy and instinct with the true college spirit.

Each year, as I run through the pages of the annuals and note the efforts of artists to produce new symbolic plates for the fraternities, I am more and more impressed with the paucity of ideas among professional engravers. The same old inanities of broken columns, impossible animals, lions with paws like a link of wiener-wurst, preposterous palms, Bedouins, twining ivy, Egyptian, Grecian nad Assyrian art hopelessly mixed make urgent the demand that frats either educate the artists or produce the artists themselves. Clever men draw cuts for other college affairs, why can not some one make an artistic fraternity design. We think *Φ K Ψ* has fared rather better than other frats in this regard, but with very few exceptions the Greek-letter society plates are a sorry lot. Mark you, not in execution, but in design and correct symbolism.

*Syllabus*, of Northwestern, comes this year in more handsome dress than ever, really resplendent in beautiful photo-gravures and half-tones of faculty, buildings, class organizations, etc. *Φ K Ψ* furnishes the artist, Bro. J. H. Cole, whose work is quite creditable indeed, his best effort being the frontispiece to the classification of fraternities. The entire work of providing cartoons, I judge, fell upon him. Much attention is bestowed upon the new President of the University, Dr. Rogers, an excellent pictures of whose manly face adorns the page facing the title, and an extended sketch of whose life and work appears

in the body of the book. Ills. A appears to hold its own in athletics and other college organizations, both literary and musical.

Each year *Syllabus* presents a list of alumni College of Liberal Arts, with addresses and present occupations, an excellent practice and entirely practicable for those colleges whose list of graduates have not become excessively large.

Rather the best thing in the humorous vein is this "scrap:"

I loath, abhor, detest, despise,  
Abominate, dried-apples pies;  
I like good bread, I like good meat,  
Or anything that's good to eat.  
But of all poor grub beneath the skies,  
The poorest is dried-apple pies.  
Give me the toothache or sore eyes,  
But don't give me dried-apple pies.  
The farmer takes his gnarliest fruit,  
'Tis wormy, bitter, and hard to boot;  
They leave the hulls and make me  
cough,  
And don't take half the peeling off.  
Then on a dirty cord is strung,  
And there it serves a roost for flies,  
Until it's made up into pies.  
Tread on my corns and tell me lies,  
But don't pass me dried-apple pies.

The *Record* of '91, of the University of Pennsylvania is a great credit to the class, but for general interest it has too much of '91, and too little about the University. The artistic work is excellent, Pa. *I* showing good taste, I think, in going back to the old plate of *Φ K Φ*, which yet remains the best produced for us. The dedication deserves quotation. It is the best of the year.

One sleeps beneath a marble shaft, who craved  
Undying fame, and yet gained but a stone,  
Whereon a crumbling epitaph is graved,  
Bedecked with flattering words. So tombs are prone  
To couch their lying praise in letters cold,  
Revealing good the life had never told.

Beneath a modest stone another sleeps,  
Where few men come to read the simple name ;  
But yonder stands a monument that keeps  
Before a grateful world his living fame,  
Not reared to win sweet praise for self, but youth  
To streams of learning and the heights of truth.

That name is set among the gleaming stars  
Which nightly o'er the towers of our hall,

So fair and calm drop down their silver bars  
 Athwart the shadows 'neath the buttressed wall,  
 And in the hearts still true to dear old Ben,  
 Is written deep thy name—wise Father Ben !

So trusting in the favor and good grace  
 That moved a hundred years bygone, thy mind  
 To labor and be one with all our race,  
 We lay this tribute at thy feet to find  
 If aught be worthy of thy nod or smile,  
 Which lacking, naught could more our work revile.

The students of Washington and Jefferson show most commendable enterprise in their publication of an annual as the "organ" of so small a body, 160 in all. There are institutions in this land with nearly ten times as many in attendance, whose many have neither the nerve nor skill to do the same that these plucky few regularly do.

*Pandora* for '91 is a very creditable production, though containing nothing which especially distinguishes it from other annuals which have reached my table. Mr. Hayes, of *Φ Α Φ*, has furnished nearly if not quite all the wood-cuts, a fact upon which both and he his college should felicitate themselves. The following excerpts are perhaps the best of the satirical and humorous lines, of which *Pandora* has the usual share:

THE COLLEGE WIDOW'S LAMENT.

I.	My chin was cast in Cupid's mold,— He said my eyes were diamonds bright, And truth seemed in his eyes.
	My cheeks like jacqueminots,
My neck and brows as fair and white	My smile was the like the newborn day,
As winter's purest snows.	My teeth twin rows of pearl,
II.	And after that he went away
He swore my hair was like the gold	To see another girl.
That tints the sunset skies,	

A JUNIOR'S SOLILOQUY.

Of all the insects on the land,  
 Of all the amoeba in the seas,  
 Of all the insignificant things,  
 Of the helpless worms that be,

Of all the chickens here out hatched,  
 With all the awkward gawky, steps,  
 Each and every one will say,  
 We rather be ourselves than Preps.

A cipher with its rim torn off,  
And a hole punched through its  
empty face,  
Will occupy more serious thought  
Than Preodom occupies of space.  
It was not always thus you say,  
When once you passed through that  
domain,  
When under Pappy's lenient sway

“ Mustache ” and “ beard ” alike did  
reign.  
Now in their place, alas, he finds  
Nothing that indicates advance,  
For where a “ beard ” and “ mustache ”  
sat  
He now sees—what—“ O Lord ”—  
knee-pants

Dickinson has reason to be congratulated upon Vol. II. of *Microcosm*. If future volumes increase in like ratio with that presented by the first two volumes, in a few years this annual will stand in the front rank. The half-tone plates of the faculty and of the glee club are especially fine. Rather the best thing in the literary department is the following from the pen of Bro. S. H. Evans :

“ Clear the Campus, boys ! clear the Campus ! ”  
And after a crowd of town-trepassing boys,  
Rush innocent Freshmen with bluster and noise ;  
While a voice yells : “ *Under the Hydrant !* ”

“ They have got him, boys ! they have got him ! ”  
And marching in triumph, the valiant host  
Bring with them a captive, as pale as a ghost ;  
And they all shout - “ *Under the Hydrant !* ”

“ This way with him, boys ! this way with him ! ”  
And struggling and kicking, brave battles are fought ;  
But vainly is fleet-footed liberty sought ;  
Till he's been “ ducked ” *Under the Hydrant.*

“ Clear the Campus, boys ! clear the Campus ! ”  
No town verdant foot shall this Campus invade,  
While “ Freshies ” are left to protect it from raid,  
Or a voice cries : “ *Under the Hydrant !* ”

Hobart always sends forth a neat annual, not always a bright one. This year's *Echo* is both neat and bright. How largely is this due to *Φ K Ψ* it would perhaps be invidious to inquire, since N. Y. *A* seems to have the leading part to play, by having

the editor-in-chief and the chairman of the business management. The following clever jingle is among the best things of the year.

They sat together on the sand;  
She held a kernel in each hand  
And smiled. He was in fairy land;  
It was a philopena.

“Now this shall be for ‘yes’ or ‘no’”  
He seized the nut as ‘twere a foe,  
But then you see he loved her so,  
And ‘twas a philopena.

“Whate’er I ask shall be the prize,”  
She says with laughter in her eyes.  
“Yes, if you win,” he low replies.  
Ah, crafty philopena !

They sit and watch the ships sail by,  
The waves roll in and sea-gulls fly.  
He forms a plot, at least he’ll try  
To get that philopena.

His words of love came thick and fast :  
“And will you be my wife ?” he asked,  
A “no” from her sweet lips has passed  
Oh, blessed philopena !

Undaunted, quick he cries in glee,  
“You must grant the prize to me ;  
Yourself the forfeit dear shall be.”

He won his philopena.

Last, but not least in love, comes *Makio*, from Ohio State. This year’s issue is diverted a little, just a little, from the stock in trade of Ohio State University jibes—the faculty—by the attention given to the new departure, brought about by the passage of the Hysell bill by which the institution gets an additional income of \$150,000 a year.

*Makio* is typographically superb, and the cuts for the most part tasteful, harmonious and well-executed. This is especially true of the charming head-pieces introducing the names of the professors in each department. These are dainty and appropriate, and the idea of enrolling the faculty in the manner thus indicated is novel. To my eye, the half-tone plate of the class of ’91 is the best piece of work of that kind sent out this year, and the engraver deserves a large-sized chromo. For the class of ’91, Dreka has made the choicest engraving of the year, which has the surpassing virtue of meaning something. Its symbolism is neither nondescript nor obscure.

Anyone who has attended chapel at O. S. U. will appreciate the following :

Weary of cramming for marks I can’t get,  
Weary of staking and losing my bet,  
Weary of drilling all the year round,

Weary of Math, when it's run to the ground,  
Weary of seeing my name on the sign,  
Weary of wishing that Prexy resign,  
Weary of lying to excuse a "spot,"  
Weary of hearing Sid. say "and what not,"  
Weary of trying to get my grades higher ;  
But ye gods ! ain't I weary of that awful choir.

As I read each year the furious stings and grinds on the  
O. S. U. profs, I have wondered if the editors of *Makio* really  
wish us to believe that their faculty is the worst on earth?

## **GREEK NEWS.**

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Theta Delta Chi expects soon to issue a catalogue.

The Rochester Chapter of *A A Φ* recently made purchase of a lot to be used as a site for a chapter house.

*Ψ Y* entered University of Minnesota, May 22d, by initiating the active and alumni members of *Θ Φ* (local).

Delta Tau Delta held her biennial convention, or Karnea, in Cleveland, Ohio, August 26th to 28th.

*A A E* is the name of a new local organization at Minnesota University, which has for its object the securing of an *A A Φ* charter.

Phi Kappa Sigma has entered the field of fraternity journalism with a *Quarterly*. It is published at New York City.

Beta Theta Pi maintained dispensation chapters last year at Yale, Rutgers and Lehigh, all of which are now regularly chartered.

The August *A Y Quarterly* reproduced a letter of the late President Garfield, written while Corresponding Secretary of the Williams Chapter of Equitable Fraternity.

Chi Delta is a ladies' class society, recently established at Sage College of Cornell University. Delta Chi is a law fraternity, with new chapters at Cornell and New York University.

April 22d a member of the Dickinson Chapter installed *Σ A E* in Cornell University, with a charter membership of five—one Junior, two Sophomores and two Freshmen.

Delta Phi is the latest established general fraternity at Cornell, having entered in June. There are now 29 secret societies in the university, the largest number at any institution in the country.

The June *Θ Δ X Shield* begins with a history of the founding of the Lafayette charge, and has portraits of three of the founders as they appear now, and a group of the original chapter.

Kappa Sigma has established chapters at Butler University, Indiana and Davidson College, N. C.

Internal dissension got in the Allegheny Chapter of *Σ A E* last spring, and seven members preferred charges against the remaining fourteen. The matter was settled by the fourteen expelling the seven.

Alpha Delta Phi held her annual convention in Baltimore in May.—*Theta Delta Chi Shield*.

It is reported that efforts are being made to raise a fund of \$200,000 for the building of a house at Williams to be used by all the fraternities.—*D. K. E. Quarterly*.

Miss Margaret Dodge, Boston University, who for three years has been connected with the *K K Γ Key*, has resigned her position of editor-in-chief of that magazine, to devote her entire time to the *Outlook*, a magazine devoted to the higher education of women, which magazine started under her guidance last year.

W. L. McClurg, of Chicago, who had been President of *Δ T Δ* for some time, and for years an active worker in the councils of the fraternity, resigned his position in April, and Orrin Serfass, Easton, Pa., was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

The university is steadily forging ahead toward new and better things. In June the trustees elect a new president, and also fill the chair of history which has been recently established. The chapter keeps pace with the university in its progress.—*Univ. of N. C. cor. D. K. E.*

The statistical table of Delta Upsilon for 1890-'91 shows an undergraduate membership of 570 as against 585 for 1889-'90. Eleven chapters occupied houses during the year. There were 86 *Δ Ys* members of college faculties in the 22 institutions where there are chapters. *Δ K E*, *B Θ Π*, *Φ Δ Θ*, and *Ψ Y* are the most frequently met rivals.

As the session, the last of our institution as a university,

draws to a close, amid the general uncertainty and gloom attending this experience, it is natural that we should begin to watch "the signs of the times" in the fraternity world, and to cast horoscopes as to the future of Phi Kappa Psi in the South Carolina College.—*Univ. of S. C. cor. Phi Kappa Shield.*

The *K A Θ Journal* is now published by the University of Vermont Chapter, at Burlington. It has changed from three to four issues a volume, and instead of two-thirds, all the active membership is required to subscribe for it.

Theta Delta Chi has in preparation a catalogue which the *Shield* promises to be out by November 1st. Work was begun on it in March. Mr. Holmes, editor of the *Shield* and President of the *Θ Δ X* Grand Lodge, has the work in charge. The fraternity may be congratulated if it gets out a trustworthy catalogue in eight months.

At almost all of the colleges of the present time there exist certain local societies claiming to be fraternities. These societies have no chapters, no fellowships beyond the bounds of the local college. They frequently compete with the chaptered fraternities, and strive to impress the young collegian with the idea that there is no special gain or advantage belonging to these genuine fraternities. If, indeed, fraternity life is to end when one receives his diploma, their reasoning is valid. But if that life is to continue beyond the college walls it is signally invalid. One great benefit of the genuine fraternity is that its influence is not confined to the undergraduate, nor are its friendships circumscribed by the halls of any one institution.—*A K E Quarterly.*

The *St. Paul Pioneer Press*, May 24th, gives the following under the heading "More Fraternity Rows, University circles all torn up the back over the Theta Phi matter:" "There were some hot fraternity men at the university yesterday afternoon. The indignation seems to be over the fact that the Theta Phis, who have always been regarded as a prosy, commonplace lot of boys, should represent to the public through the city papers that they were promised charters by ten national fraternities now represented at the 'U,' and refused them all. The Dekes, who

are named as one of these, are particularly up in arms. They claimed that the Theta Phis were the petitioners and that they have the petition on record. The Phi Kappa Psis show official papers from the National Executive Council that no such local society was ever known to them. The outlook at present seems to be a revival of fighting fraternity days, with plenty of retractions and possibly a libel suit to savor the proceedings."

Recent publications in the Greek Press have caused, probably, more comment and controversy than has ensued among its components for some years past. The latest edition of Mr. Baird's book, "American College Fraternities," received possibly more criticism than ever fell to the lot of any other Greek letter publication, nearly every society therein treated of having before this filed exceptions to the facts as therein stated. Kappa Alpha's criticisms were probably less severe than any other the book received, as ours only corrected a few facts, personal and otherwise; and some even went so far as to suggest that there was a deep-laid scheme on some one's part to deliberately magnify the virtues of certain fraternities and the faults of others, in order that the book might be used as a "spiking" document. This had hardly blown over when Sigma Chi published a catalogue, an expensive book, and one elaborately gotten up. It is an ornament to the printer's art, yet the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* seriously questions the authenticity of the account of the founding of Sigma Chi, and in rather a vigorous manner combats Sigma Chi's history as related in the Catalogue. It would seem that the fight is now on.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

Harvard has always been a place noted as well for the gay times of some of her societies as for the fame of her scholars. Last spring there were times galore. The rooms of the *A A Ø* club were raided, the liquors therein confiscated, and in police court the members' fines amounted to \$1,700. The *Z Y* rooms were similarly raided and the members called upon to pay fines, but in this case the Zetas propose to fight the case, believing the arrests to be the result of spite work, because the police have not of late been as liberally tipped as in the days of yore, when the club rooms ran the rosy-red stream in peace. Apropos of

the *A Δ Φ* episode, these lines appeared in a New York City paper:

"Oh, merry were the days we spent  
In Alpha Delta Phi;  
The hours like winged moments went  
In Alpha Delta Phi.  
Wine flowed as flows a river free,  
Champagne was there for you and me,  
And beer was kept conveniently  
In Alpha Delta Phi.

Then no police disturbed the peace  
Of Alpha Delta Phi;  
Their palms were oiled with golden  
In Alpha Delta Phi. [grease  
Festivities were always rife,  
The boys were gay, you bet your life,  
But all were free from care and strife  
In Alpha Delta Phi.

But lo, how different to-day  
In Alpha Delta Phi;  
The coppers do not get their pay  
In Alpha Delta Phi.  
So in a squad they come and raid  
Our sacred halls, our shrines invade,  
And hold the boys till fines are paid  
By Alpha Delta Phi.

Farewell, sweet mem'ries of the past  
And Alpha Delta Phi.  
A slur upon your name is cast,  
Poor Alpha Delta Phi.  
No more will pleasure hold its sway,  
The boozing crowd has had its day,  
The cops have ta'en the charm away  
Of Alpha Delta Phi."

The truth of the matter is that few Harvard chapters have reflected any honor on the fraternities whose names they bore, and the idea of *fraternity* as it obtains elsewhere has as yet failed to gain a hold there. Chapters of necessity have been either societies or clubs with all their tendencies, or, on the other hand, merely literary organizations, heterogenous in composition and aims.—*The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta.*











